For this chapter, I took a trip to Rome. I thought of a hint from the tour guide's explanation.

At the destination, I took photos as drawing material while the guide was showing us around, which was difficult work. The guide was annoyed that was doing this while they were talking.

I also energetically dashed over to take a picture at a distance to frame all of the scenery after they finished talking.

Some recent advice is to buy a wide angle lens. Well, it's useful.

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納まる距離をとるため猛ダッシュで
離れることも。
と、いうことで最近、広角レンズを
買いました。いや〜、便利。

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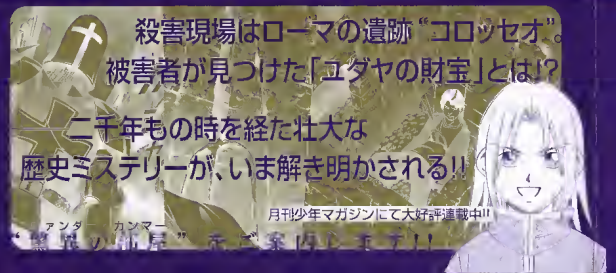
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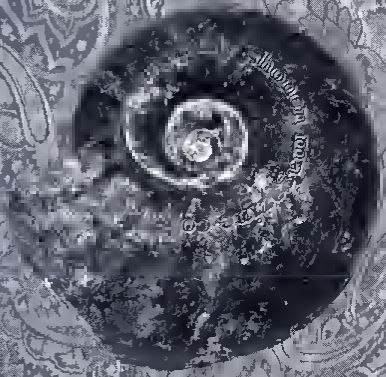

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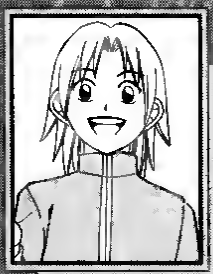

榊 森羅 *Shinra Sakaki*

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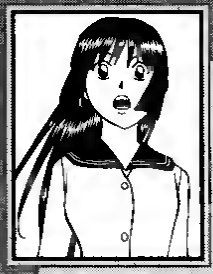

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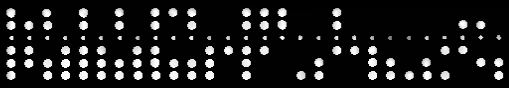

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ANYWAY, IT'S AN EXTRA-ORDINARY TREASURE!!
ROME, ITALY
COLOSSEUM (CIRCULAR ARENA)
IT'S TRULY A GREAT DISCOV-ERY...
I'M NOT LYING!

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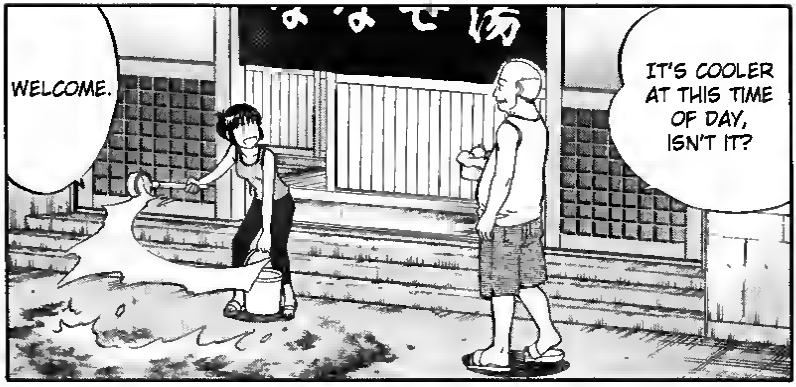

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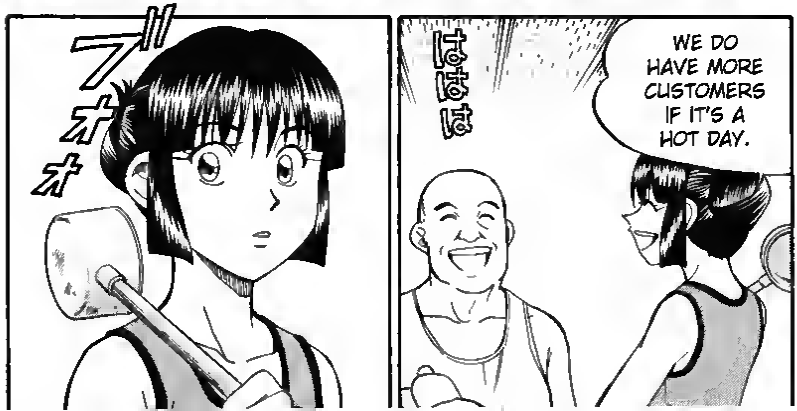

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CLICK
OH, SHINRA!
GOOD EVENING, NANASE -SAN!!
He's got some style~
HE CAME TO A BATH-HOUSE IN A BLACK LUXURY CAR...

WHAT DO YOU WANT FROM ME?
THE MINI-STRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS?
AH, WELL ...
IT'S A COMPLICATED SITUATION.
YOU COULD SAY WE'RE BETWEEN THE DEVIL AND THE DEEP BLUE SEA.
WELL ...
WELL, IF IT'S SOMETHING HARD, TELL ME BEFORE I FALL ASLEEP!

THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT HAS RECEIVED A THREAT FROM ISRAEL.

ISRAEL ?

YES.

ISRAEL IS A COUNTRY FOUNDED BY THE JEWS IN 1948 ON THE EASTERN COAST OF THE MEDITERRANEAN SEA.

Mediterranean Sea

Israel

THOUGH IT IS GEOGRAPHICALLY SMALL, ISRAEL POSSESSES A STRONG MILITARY AND ECONOMY.

ISRAEL HIRED A PRIVATE HISTORICAL SITE INVESTIGATION COMPANY.
IT SEEMS THEY FOUND SOMETHING IN ROME, ITALY.
WE DON'T KNOW THAT.
TREASURE!? WAS IT GOLD COINS? OR JEWELS?
IT WAS A TREASURE!!
IN ANY CASE, THAT INVESTIGATOR WAS MURDERED.

THE INVESTIGATOR'S BODY WAS FOUND IN ROME, IN THE RUINS OF THE COLOSSEUM.

BECAUSE OF THAT, THE TREASURE'S TRUE NATURE, LOCATION OR EVEN IF IT ACTUALLY EXISTS IS UNKNOWN.

SHOULDN'T YOU LEAVE THAT KIND OF THING TO THE ITALIAN POLICE TO INVESTIGATE?

WELL, THAT'S THE PROBLEM...

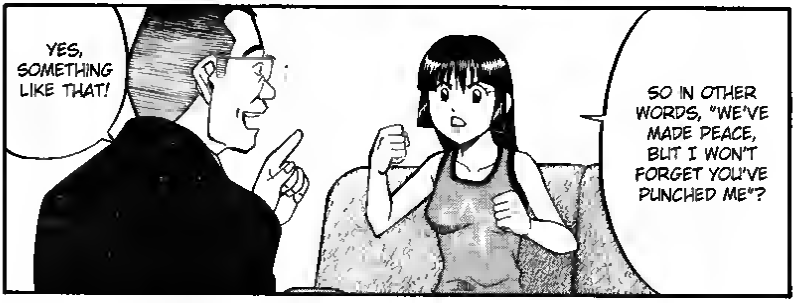
VATICAN CITY, THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH...

IS INSIDE ROME.

VATICAN CITY IS ALSO A SMALL COUNTRY THAT WIELDS IMMENSE POWER IN WORLD AFFAIRS.

FURTHERMORE, ISRAEL AND THE VATICAN HAVE A DIFFICULT RELATIONSHIP.

IN RECENT YEARS, THEY HAVE BEEN ABLE TO MAKE PEACE. OF COURSE, BOTH SIDES ARE STILL UNEASY...
JUDAISM AS PRACTICED BY MOST ISRAELIS AND CHRISTIANITY AS PRACTICED BY THE VATICAN HAVE BEEN IN CONFLICT FOR 2000 YEARS.


YES, SOMETHING LIKE THAT!
SO IN OTHER WORDS, "WE'VE MADE PEACE, BUT I WON'T FORGET YOU'VE PUNCHED ME"?

AND THE INVESTIGATOR THEY'VE CHOSEN IS...
BEFORE IT BECOMES A DIPLOMATIC ISSUE, THE INVESTIGATION HAS BEEN ASSIGNED TO A THIRD PARTY, THE BRITISH MUSEUM.

ISRAEL'S INVESTIGATOR WAS KILLED IN ROME, JUST OUTSIDE OF THE VATICAN.
SINCE HIS DEATH IS RELATED TO A MYSTERIOUS TREASURE, BOTH COUNTRIES ARE SUSPICIOUS.
THE ITALIAN POLICE CAN'T GET BETWEEN THEM.

SHINRA SAKAKI -KUN.
WE HAVE NO DOUBT IN HIS ABILITIES ...
AS PROOF THAT HE IS A PROTECTOR OF WISDOM FROM THE BRITISH MUSEUM, HE HAS INHERITED THE 3 CMB RINGS.
WHAT!?
BUT IF YOU COME ALONG, I'LL DO IT!
NO WAY! THAT'S BORING!
OH, OKAY. YOU'LL BE PILING UP GOOD DEEDS.

DON'T JOKE WITH ME!!

THAT'S HOW IT IS. ALL EXPENSES WILL BE PAID FOR.

UNLESS YOU GO, I ABSOLUTELY WON'T!!

MOTHER !!

Do you want to eat something?

NOW THAT'S WHAT I CALL A CUTE KID.

WELL ~

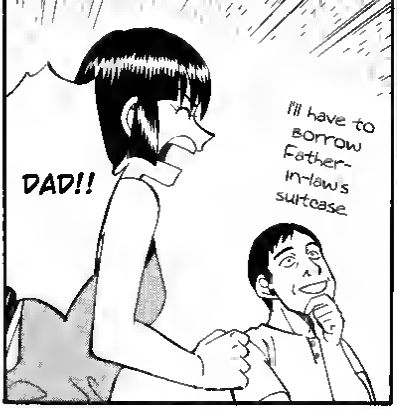
THAT'S RIGHT! YOU CAN'T DO WHATEVER YOU WANT!

AAH, THAT SQUID INK SPAGHETTI I ATE IN ITALY WAS SO DELICIOUS~

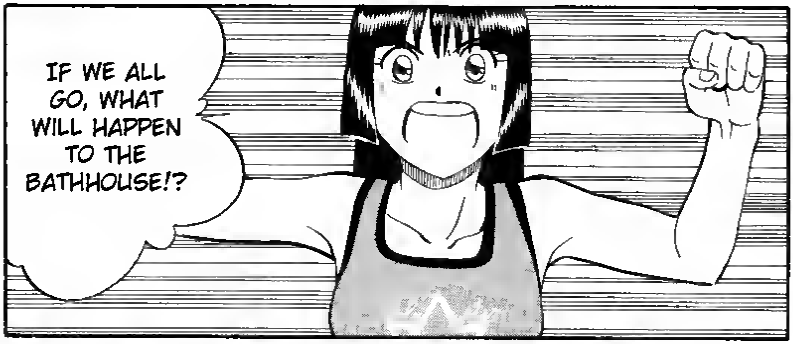
HUH? REALLY?

BECAUSE HE REFUSED, ISRAEL BECAME ANGRY. THERE COULD BE A DIPLOMATIC INCIDENT BETWEEN ISRAEL AND JAPAN.

STOP MESSING AROUND!! I WOULD NEVER LET MY PRECIOUS DAUGHTER GO TO SUCH A DANGEROUS PLACE!!


DAD!!
I'll have to borrow Father-in-law's suitcase.

RIGHT!
IF YOU'RE WORRIED, WHY DON'T YOU COME ALONG?


IF WE ALL GO, WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO THE BATHHOUSE!?

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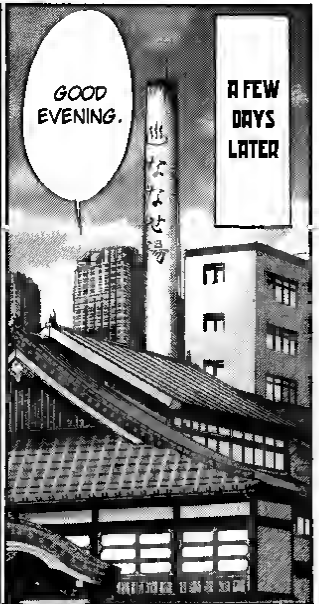
WEL-COME.


A FEW DAYS LATER
GOOD EVENING.

I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS!!
WE REALLY WENT!!
I'LL HAVE A BEER.
YOU DON'T HAVE TO PAY.
EVERYONE'S GOING TO ITALY~

I WONDER WHERE WE SHOULD GO?
TATSUKI! THE DRINKS ARE FREE!
WHAT MOVIE SHOULD I WATCH?

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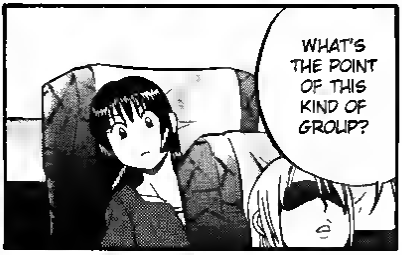
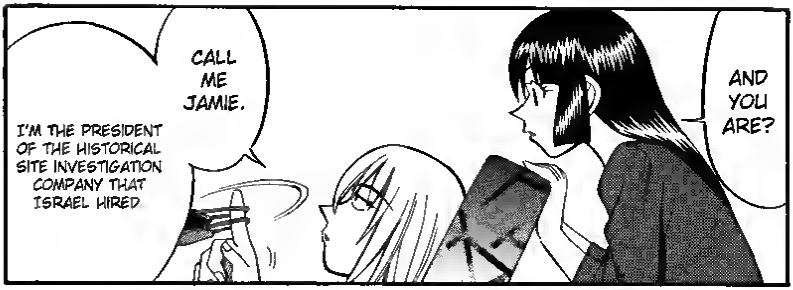

WHAT'S THE POINT OF THIS KIND OF GROUP?

PLEASE WORK PROPERLY.
OUR COMPANY'S PAYCHECK DEPENDS ON YOU.
UM ...
PRIVATE HISTORICAL SITE INVESTIGATION COMPANY PRESIDENT
JAMIE CHARLES

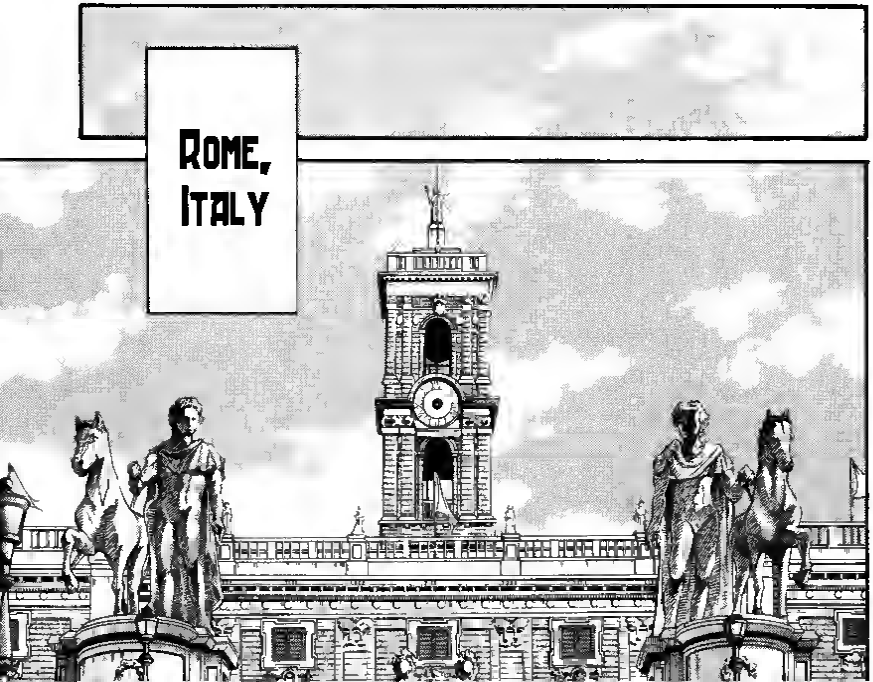

AND YOU ARE?
CALL ME JAMIE.
I'M THE PRESIDENT OF THE HISTORICAL SITE INVESTIGATION COMPANY THAT ISRAEL HIRED

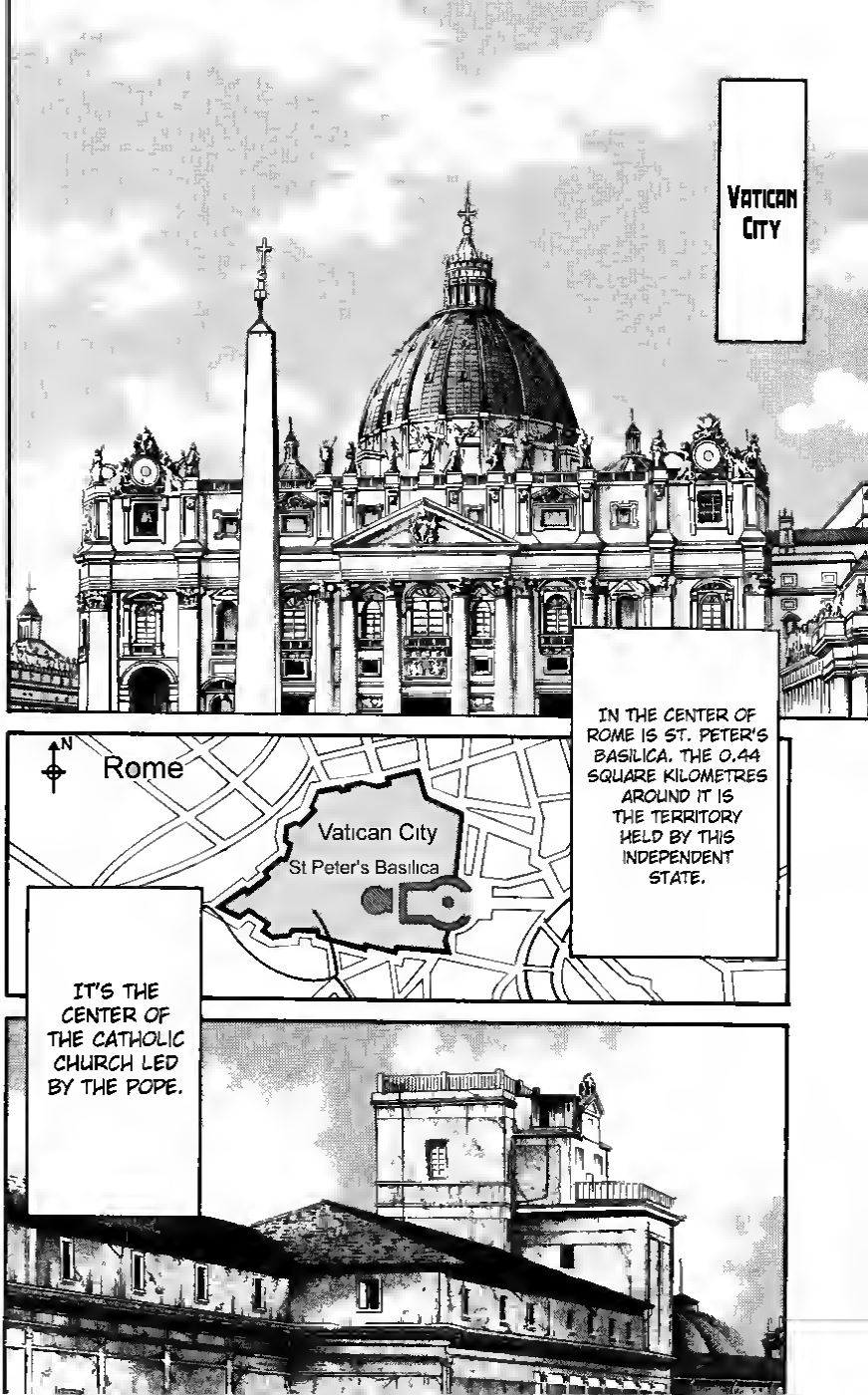
MY IDIOTIC EMPLOYEE CARL INVESTIGATED ON HIS OWN AND SAID HE FOUND A TREASURE OR SOMETHING.
AND ON TOP OF ALL THAT, HE CAUSES A MESS BY GETTING KILLED.

OUR LAST HOPE, THE INVESTIGATOR FROM THE BRITISH MUSEUM, IS THIS KID.
I CAN FEEL THE SEED OF ANOTHER HEADACHE STARTING TO SPROUT.
Time to Play a Game

AND THEN, THE INVESTIGATION DATA WAS STOLEN BY ANOTHER EMPLOYEE.
MY CLIENT, THE GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL, IS FURIOUS.

IF MY COMPANY DOESN'T GET PAID, WE'RE IN TROUBLE.
YOU ABSOLUTELY HAVE TO DO SOMETHING!


ROME, ITALY


VATICAN CITY
IN THE CENTER OF ROME IS ST. PETER'S BASILICA. THE 0.44 SQUARE KILOMETRES AROUND IT IS THE TERRITORY HELD BY THIS INDEPENDENT STATE.
N
Rome
Vatican City
St Peter's Basilica
IT'S THE CENTER OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH LED BY THE POPE.

WHERE ARE YOUR PARENTS?

THERE ARE SO MANY TOURISTS!

HEY! LOOK!

THEY WENT TO EAT SQUID INK SPAGHETTI ...

WHAT A STRANGE UNIFORM.

THE VATICAN'S PERSONAL GUARDS ARE ALL SWISS MILITARY. IT'S A GREAT HONOR TO BE ONE.

A SWISS GUARD! SO COOL!!

WOW ...!

OVER HERE.

It seems he likes this type of thing

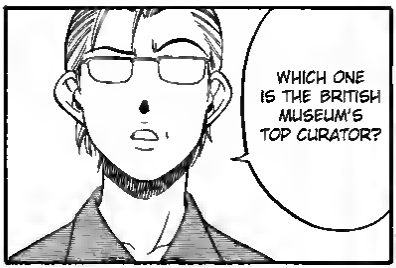
NOW THIS IS AN ART GALLERY!

IT'S WALL TO WALL ART!!

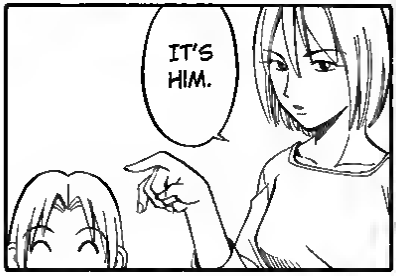
CLICK

IT'S HERE.

Catholic Church
Bishop Sarre
Israeli Investigator
Hannah Greenfield
Vatican Staff
Carlo MacPherson


WHICH ONE IS THE BRITISH MUSEUM'S TOP CURATOR?

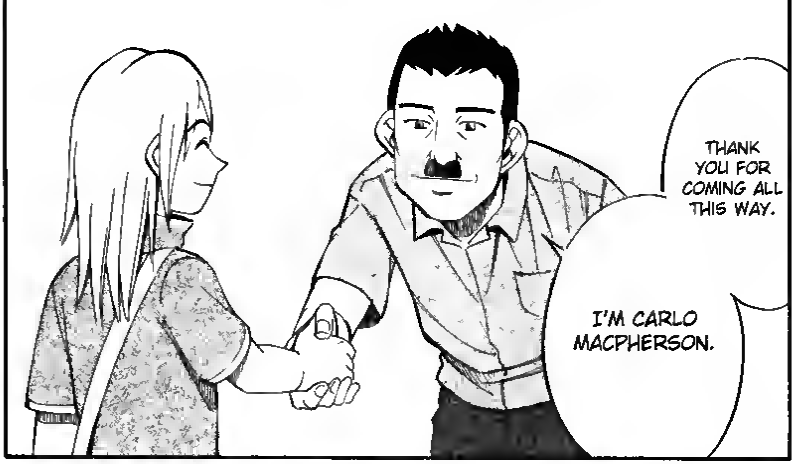
HERE HE IS.


IT'S HIM.

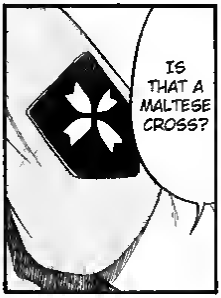
GOOD AFTER-NOON, MA'AM!

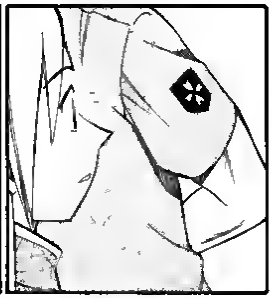
BISHOP SARRE! IS THIS SOME KIND OF JOKE?
Even if she is old, don't call her ma'am!!
IDIOT !!

PLEASE PREPARE YOURSELF FOR A DIPLOMATIC COMPLAINT!!
HEY... WHAT ABOUT MY PAYCHECK!?
"AMISHAV" IS A NATIONAL RESEARCH ORGANIZATION FROM HEBREW UNIVERSITY.
I'LL REPORT THIS TO THE GOVERNMENT THROUGH AMISHAV!
THIS KID IS THE ONE I WAS WAITING FOR?!
THEIR INVESTIGATION IS RELATED TO THE BIBLE. THEY ARE SEARCHING FOR THE "TEN LOST TRIBES OF ISRAEL", WHO DISAPPEARED AFTER THE PERIOD OF JEWISH CAPTIVITY IN BABYLON.


THANK YOU FOR COMING ALL THIS WAY.
I'M CARLO MACPHERSON.

AH... YES.


IS THAT A MALTESE CROSS?



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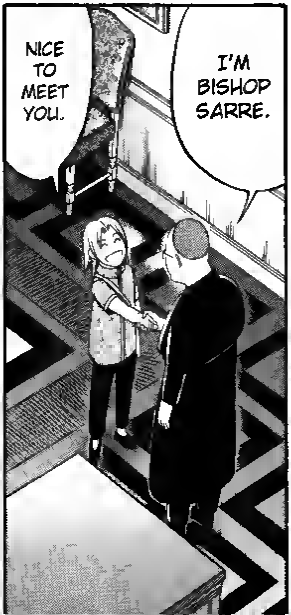
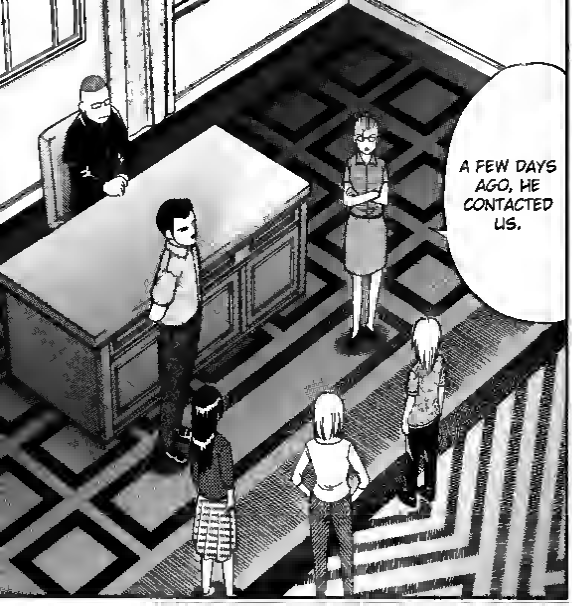
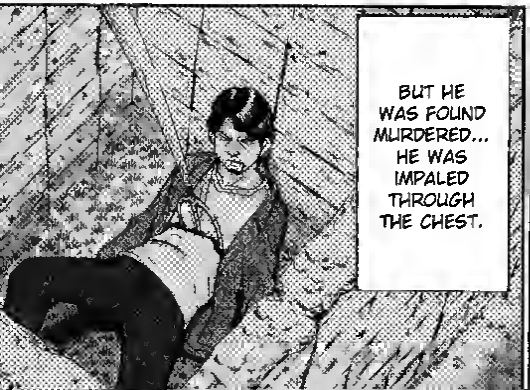
HANNAH GREENFIELD.


NICE TO MEET YOU.
I'M BISHOP SARRE.


A FEW DAYS AGO, HE CONTACTED US.

I THINK YOU ROUGHLY KNOW WHAT HAPPENED.
OUR COUNTRY HAD A CONTRACT WITH A MAN FROM AN INVESTIGATION COMPANY NAMED CARL.

IT'S A "JUDEAN FORTUNE"!!
I FOUND SOMETHING EXCITING!!


BUT HE WAS FOUND MURDERED... HE WAS IMPALED THROUGH THE CHEST.

A "JUDEAN FORTUNE"?

IT WAS A TRIDENT.

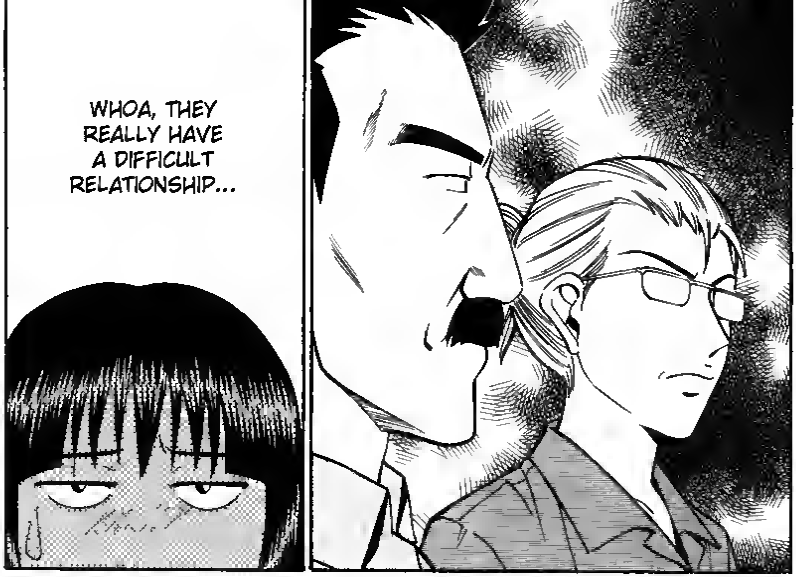
IT'S A DANGEROUS WEAPON WIELDED BY THE DEVIL ACCORDING TO CHRISTIANITY.

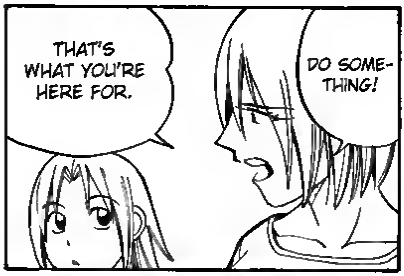
YOU'RE TALKING AS IF WE KILLED CARL TO STEAL THE TREASURE.

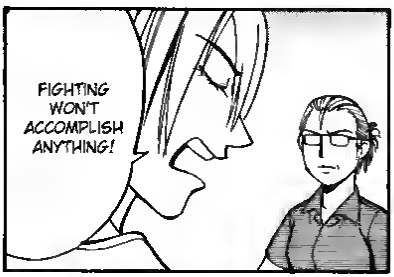
ISN'T IT THE CASE THAT IN JUDAISM, KING DAVID'S SOLDIERS USED TRIDENTS?

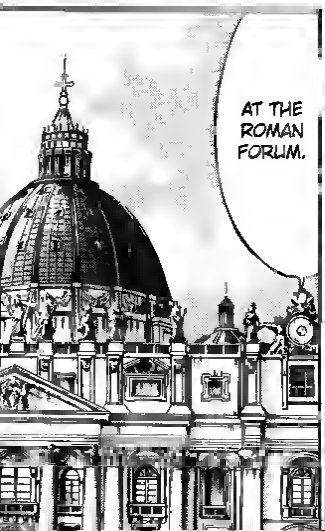
SO YOU THINK WE DID IT?

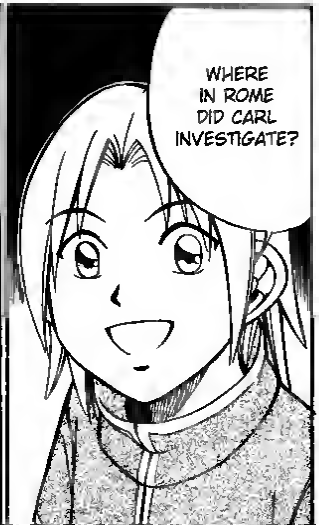
I'M JUST SAYING THAT IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO SAY WHO THE MURDERER IS ONLY FROM THE MURDER WEAPON.


WHOA, THEY REALLY HAVE A DIFFICULT RELATIONSHIP...


THAT'S WHAT YOU'RE HERE FOR.
DO SOME-THING!


FIGHTING WON'T ACCOMPLISH ANYTHING!


AT THE ROMAN FORUM.


WHERE IN ROME DID CARL INVESTIGATE?

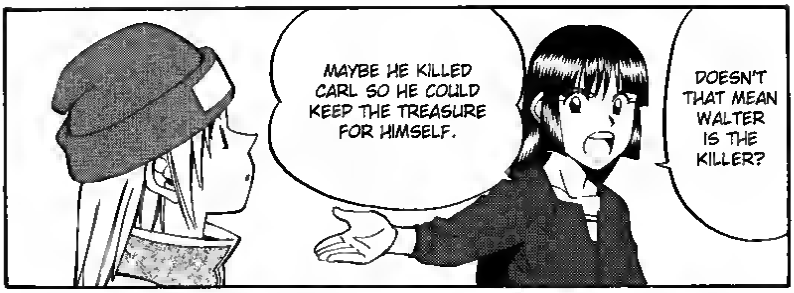
ROMAN FORUM
THERE ARE HISTORICAL RUINS EVERYWHERE!
THIS WAS A PUBLIC PLAZA OF THE ANCIENT ROMAN EMPIRE.
ROMAN EMPIRE?
THESE ARE THE REMAINS OF THE ROMAN EMPIRE'S TEMPLES AND GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS.

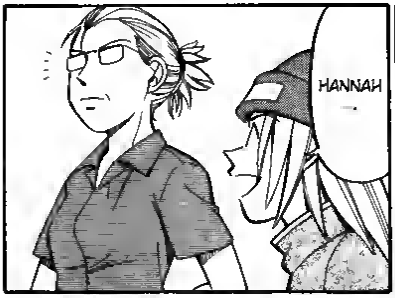
IT STARTED IN 8TH CENTURY BC. IT WAS THE LARGEST EUROPEAN EMPIRE.

DUE TO THE POWER OF THEIR MILITARY AND OBSERVANCE OF LAWS, THE EMPIRE LASTED FOR ABOUT 2200 YEARS, UNTIL 1453 WHEN THE EASTERN ROMAN EMPIRE COLLAPSED.

BUT CARL WAS MURDERED, AND WALTER WENT MISSING WITH THE RESEARCH DATA.

CARL AND WALTER SEARCHED THIS AREA WITH UNDERGROUND RADAR.


MAYBE HE KILLED CARL SO HE COULD KEEP THE TREASURE FOR HIMSELF.
DOESN'T THAT MEAN WALTER IS THE KILLER?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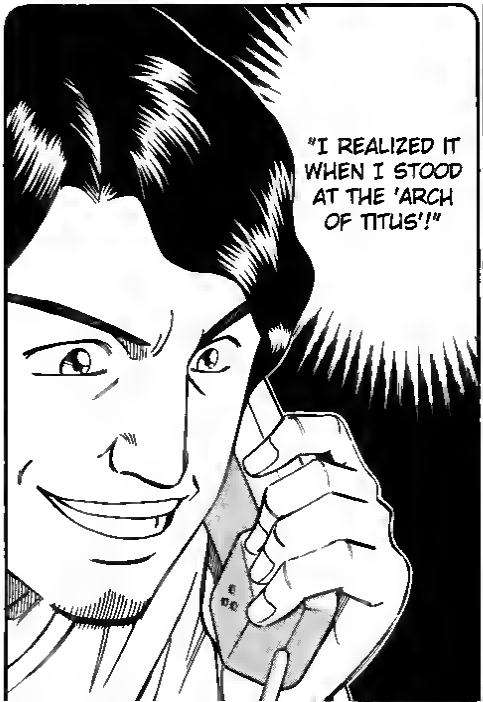
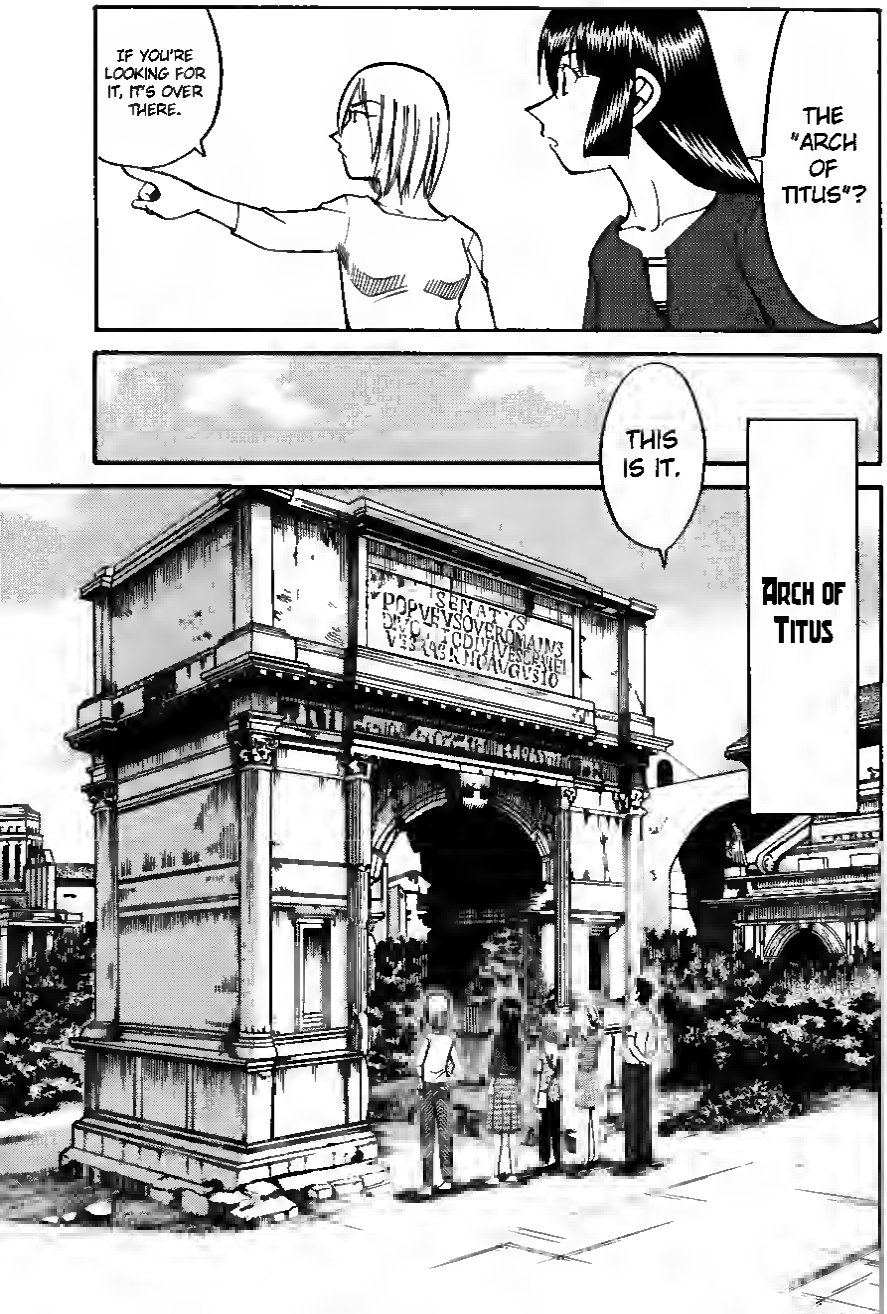
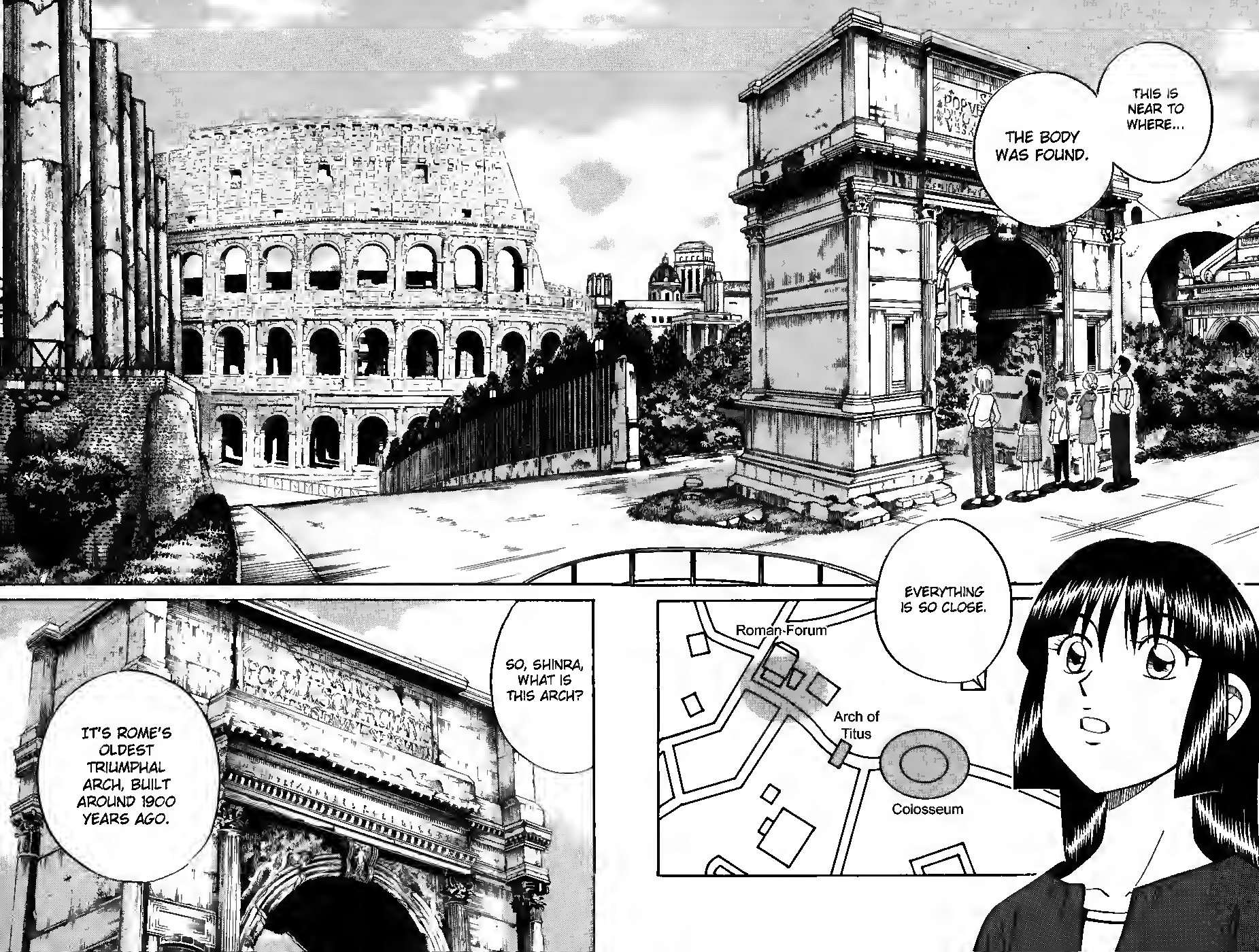

"I REALIZED IT WHEN I STOOD AT THE 'ARCH OF TITUS'!"

DID CARL SAY ANYTHING ELSE?

...IF I REMEMBER CORRECTLY ...

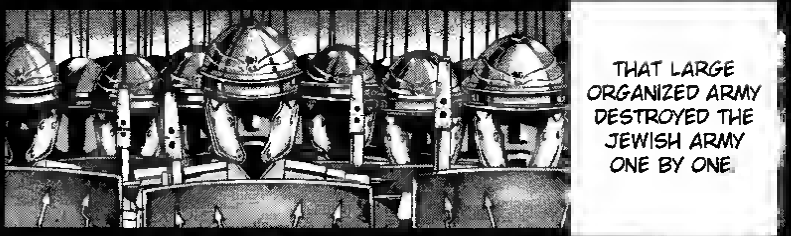

IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR IT, IT'S OVER THERE.
THE "ARCH OF TITUS"?
THIS IS IT.
ARCH OF TITUS


THIS IS NEAR TO WHERE...
THE BODY WAS FOUND.
EVERYTHING IS SO CLOSE.
Roman Forum
Arch of Titus
Colosseum
SO, SHINRA, WHAT IS THIS ARCH?
IT'S ROME'S OLDEST TRIUMPHAL ARCH, BUILT AROUND 1900 YEARS AGO.

Jerusalem
THEY TOOK CONTROL OF THE JUDEAN KINGDOM OF THE JEWS.
IN 63 BC, THE ROMAN EMPIRE EXPANDED THEIR INFLUENCE AND OCCUPIED ISRAEL.
BUT THE TWO NATIONS HAD A FUNDAMENTAL DIFFERENCE.
THE FIRST HUNDRED YEARS WERE PEACEFUL.
THE JEWISH BELIEVERS WORSHIPPED THE MOST HIGH GOD, YAHWEH. THEY SAW THE BUILDING AND WORSHIP OF STATUES AS AN ACT OF SACRILEGE.
THE ANCIENT ROMANS BELIEVED IN POLYTHEISM, AND WORSHIPPED AND MADE OFFERINGS TO STATUES OF MANY GODS IN THE TEMPLE.

THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO NATIONS DETERIORATED... SMALL CONFRONTATIONS STARTED TO OCCUR.
THIS DIFFERENCE CAUSED CRACKS TO FORM.
THE JEWS ERUPTED IN ANGER.
THE ROMANS EVENTUALLY SEIZED THE TREASURES IN THE JEWISH TEMPLE UNDER THE GUISE OF GOVERNMENT TAXATION.
AND IN 66 AD ...
THE FIRST JEWISH-ROMAN WAR BROKE OUT!!

AND HIS SON, TITUS.
THE LEADERS OF THE ROMAN TROOPS WERE THE FUTURE EMPEROR, VESPASIAN...


THAT LARGE ORGANIZED ARMY DESTROYED THE JEWISH ARMY ONE BY ONE.

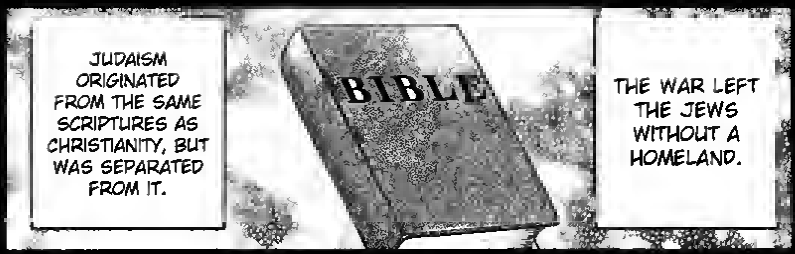
WE MUST PROTECT THE TEMPLE AT ALL COSTS...

THE CORNERED JEWS VIOLENTLY RESISTED AND BARRICADED THEMSELVES IN THE SECOND TEMPLE IN JERUSALEM.

BUT AS LONG AS THE TEMPLE REMAINED STANDING, THE JEWS WOULD NEVER SURRENDER.
HIS FINAL DECISION WAS...
DESTROYING ANOTHER NATION'S TEMPLE IS AGAINST ROMAN LAWS.
TITUS, WHO WAS ENTRUSTED WITH THE CAPTURE OF JERUSALEM, WAS HESITANT.
TO BURN THE SECOND TEMPLE!!

OVER A MILLION PEOPLE DIED AND A HUNDRED THOUSAND PEOPLE BECAME PRISONERS OF WAR.

SO MUCH GOLD WAS PILLAGED THAT THE VALUE OF GOLD WAS CUT IN HALF.


JUDAISM ORIGINATED FROM THE SAME SCRIPTURES AS CHRISTIANITY, BUT WAS SEPARATED FROM IT.
BIBLE
THE WAR LEFT THE JEWS WITHOUT A HOMELAND.

NOW, THE REMAINS OF THE SECOND TEMPLE IS HOLY GROUND IN JERUSALEM, AND IS CALLED THE WESTERN WALL.
EVEN NOW, PILGRIMS COME TO PRAY AT THE TEMPLE.

THIS TRIUMPHAL ARCH WAS BUILT TO COMMEMORATE THE VICTORY OVER JUDEA.
OH ...
AFTER THAT, THE ROMAN EMPIRE FELL.
BUT WE, THE JEWS, SURVIVED.
AND WE TOOK BACK JERUSALEM.
WHAT'S THAT?

THAT'S A MENORAH.

IT'S A SEVEN BRANCHED LAMPSTAND USED BY JEWISH BELIEVERS TO DECORATE TEMPLES.

THAT MAN IS HOLDING SOME-THING.

THE ROMANS PLUNDERED THEM AS SPOILS OF WAR.

IT IS ALSO ON THE EMBLEM OF ISRAEL.

IS THE DISCOVERY OF THE "JUDEAN FORTUNE"...

A PART OF WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW?

THIS IS THE COLOSSEUM, WHERE CARL'S BODY WAS FOUND.

WHAT AN AMAZING BUILDING!

THE GUY FROM THE ARCH?

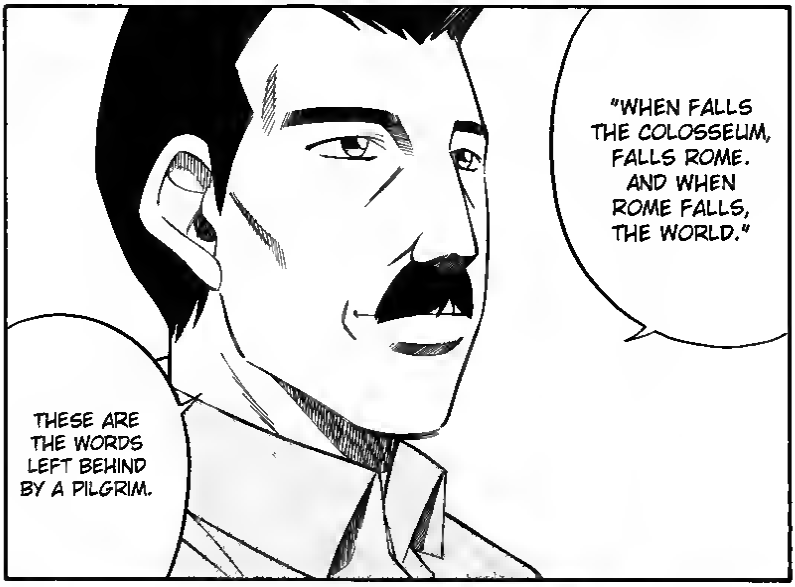
IT WAS COMPLETED IN 80 AD BY TITUS.

SOMETIMES THEY FILLED THE ARENA WITH WATER TO SHOW THE REENACTMENTS OF NAVAL BATTLES.

GLADIATORS FOUGHT IN THIS ARENA FOR THE ENTERTAINMENT OF ROMAN CITIZENS.

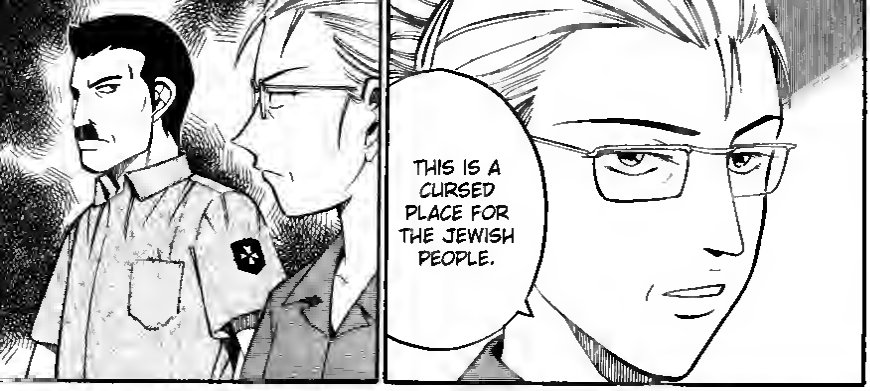
SER PEN

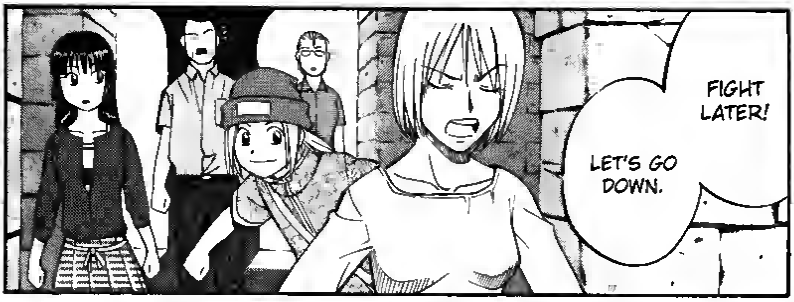
"WHILE STANDS THE COLOSSEUM, ROME SHALL STAND."

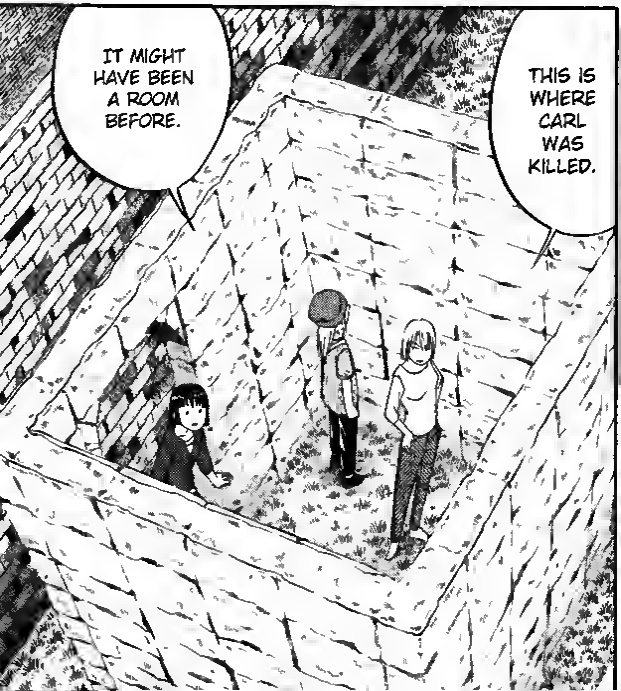

"WHEN FALLS THE COLOSSEUM, FALLS ROME. AND WHEN ROME FALLS, THE WORLD."
THESE ARE THE WORDS LEFT BEHIND BY A PILGRIM.

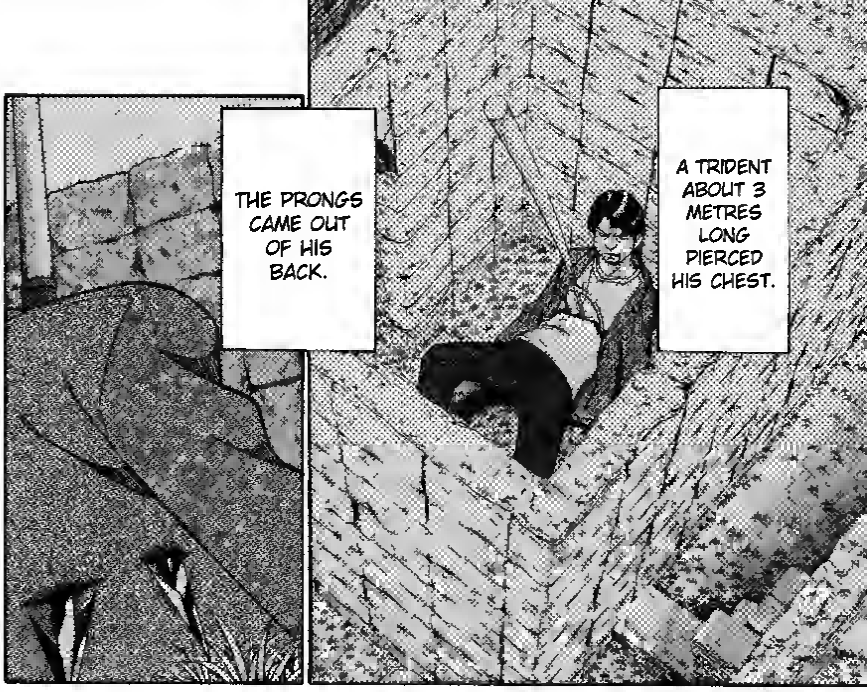
THE JEWS ENSLAVED BECAUSE OF THE JEWISH ROMAN WAR BUILT THE COLOSSEUM.

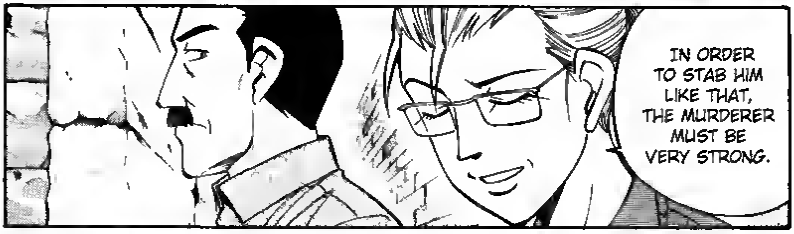
EVEN THOUGH THE COLOSSEUM IS IN RUINS, IT IS THE SYMBOL OF ROME.

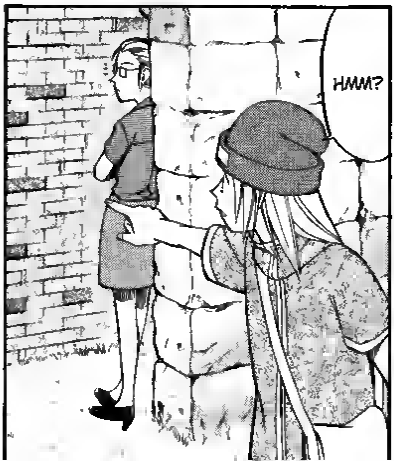

THIS IS A CURSED PLACE FOR THE JEWISH PEOPLE.

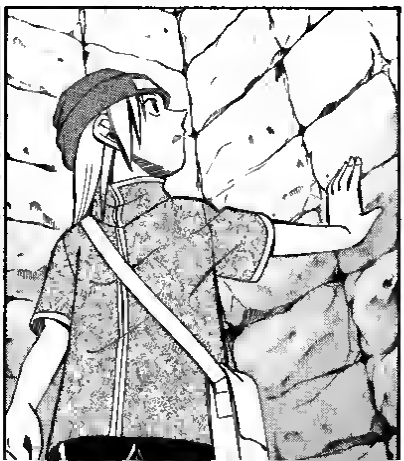

FIGHT LATER!
LET'S GO DOWN.

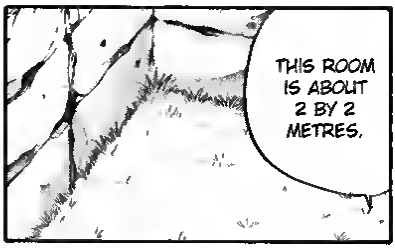

IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN A ROOM BEFORE.
THIS IS WHERE CARL WAS KILLED.


THE PRONGS CAME OUT OF HIS BACK.
A TRIDENT ABOUT 3 METRES LONG PIERCED HIS CHEST.

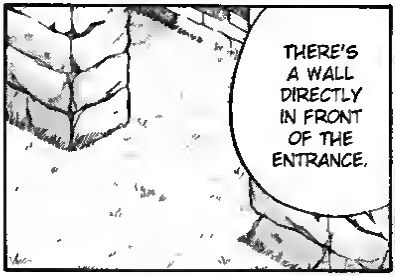

IN ORDER TO STAB HIM LIKE THAT, THE MURDERER MUST BE VERY STRONG.

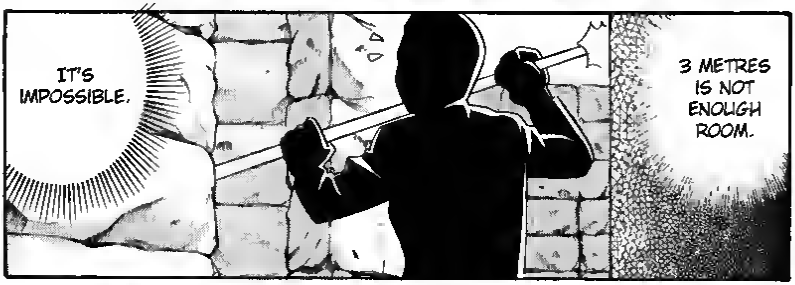

HMM?



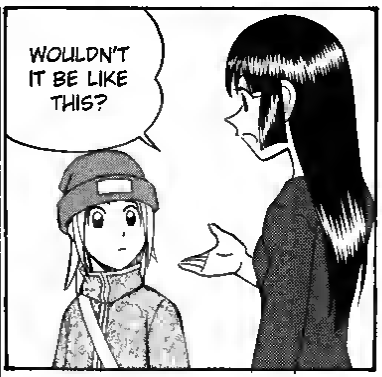

THIS ROOM IS ABOUT 2 BY 2 METRES.

HOW DO YOU STAB SOMEONE WITH A TRIDENT THAT LONG?


THERE'S A WALL DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF THE ENTRANCE.


IT'S IMPOSSIBLE.
3 METRES IS NOT ENOUGH ROOM.

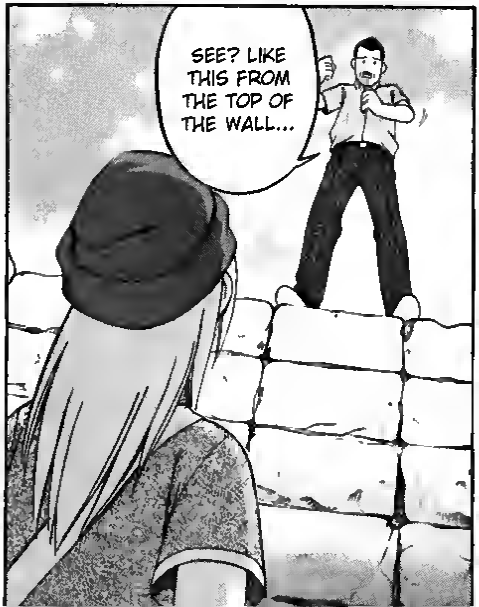
THERE'S NOTHING STOPPING YOU THERE.
JUST STAB HIM FROM THE TOP OF THE WALL.


WOULDN'T IT BE LIKE THIS?

IT IS IMPOSSIBLE!

YOU CAN'T EVEN THINK OF SOMETHING SO SIMPLE...

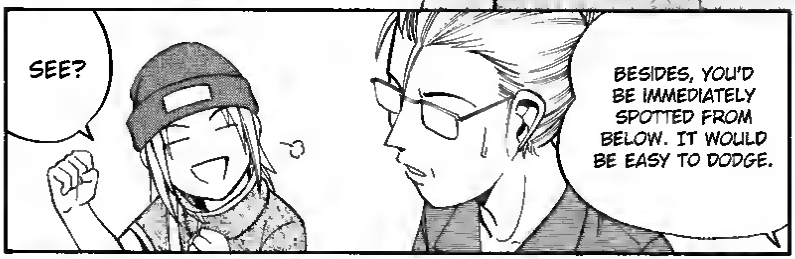
IF YOU DON'T BELIEVE ME, CLIMB UP THE WALL AND SEE FOR YOURSELF.
HEY, HEY, DON'T GET ANGRY.

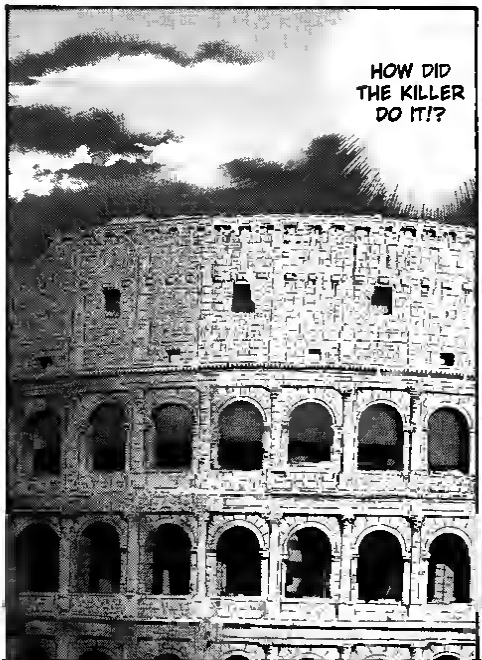

SEE? LIKE THIS FROM THE TOP OF THE WALL...

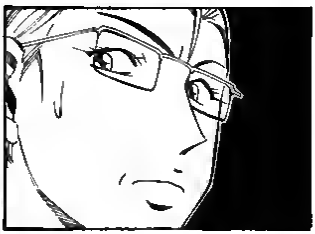
I GUESS I'LL HAVE TO...

HUH?
...IT'S IMPOS-SIBLE.
THE WALL IS TOO NARROW FOR MY FEET, SO I CAN'T MOVE.
I CAN'T EVEN TAKE A STEP.
WHY?
IT'S MY FOOTING.

IF YOU TRIED TO STAB SOMEONE WITH ALL YOUR STRENGTH ...
YOU WOULD FALL BACK-WARDS.


SEE?
BESIDES, YOU'D BE IMMEDIATELY SPOTTED FROM BELOW. IT WOULD BE EASY TO DODGE.


HOW DID THE KILLER DO IT!?



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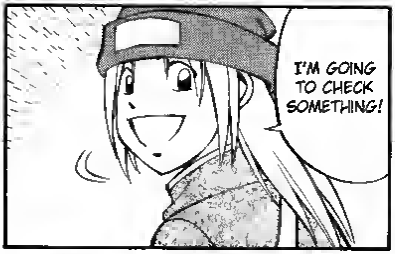
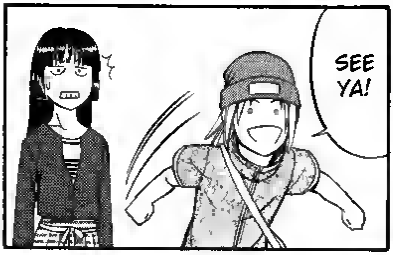
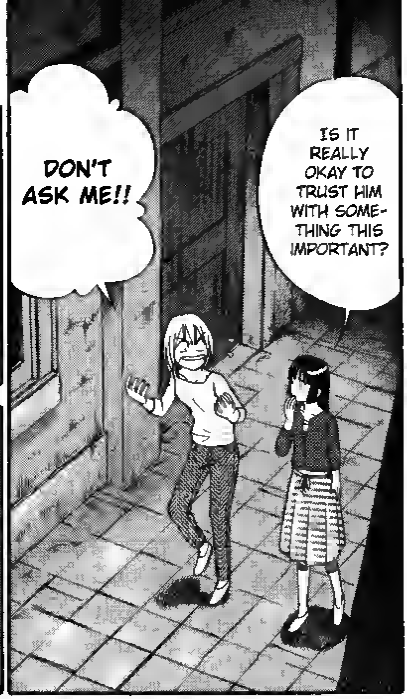

I'M GOING TO CHECK SOMETHING!

HMM~
SHINRA, WHAT NOW?

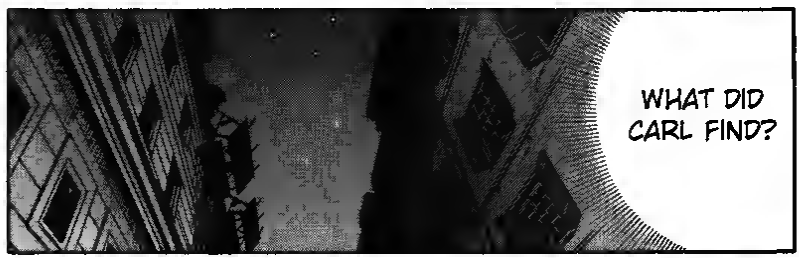

SEE YA!

WILL HE BE OKAY?
WA... WAIT!

IF WE DON'T FIND THE "JUDEAN FORTUNE", I WON'T GET PAID.


DON'T ASK ME!!
IS IT REALLY OKAY TO TRUST HIM WITH SOMETHING THIS IMPORTANT?

THE "JUDEAN FORTUNE" ...


WHAT DID CARL FIND?

WELL ...
THE POLICE ARE LOOKING FOR HIM.

IS WALTER REALLY THE KILLER?

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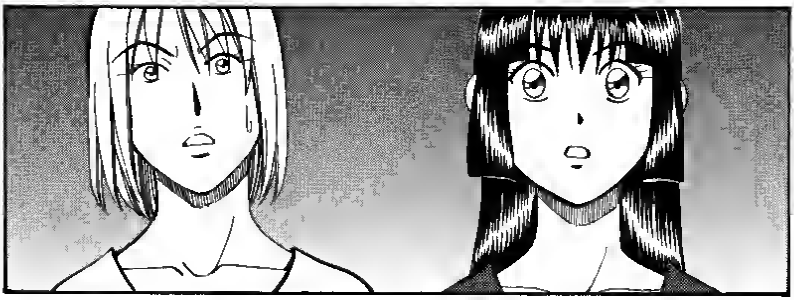

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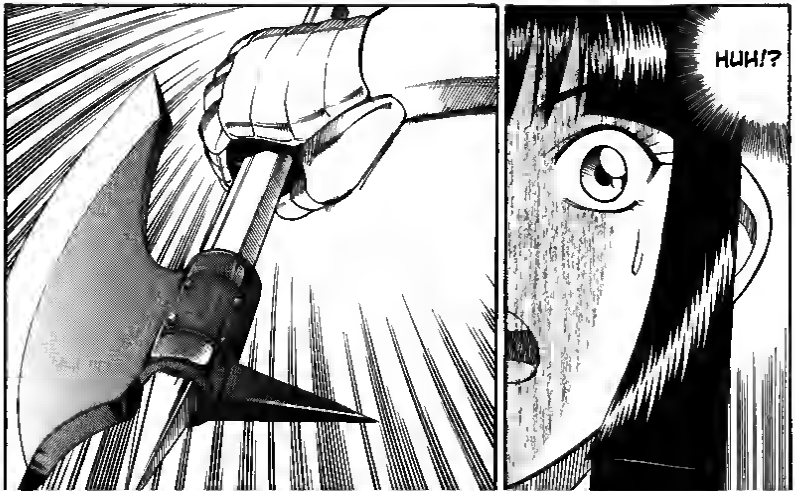

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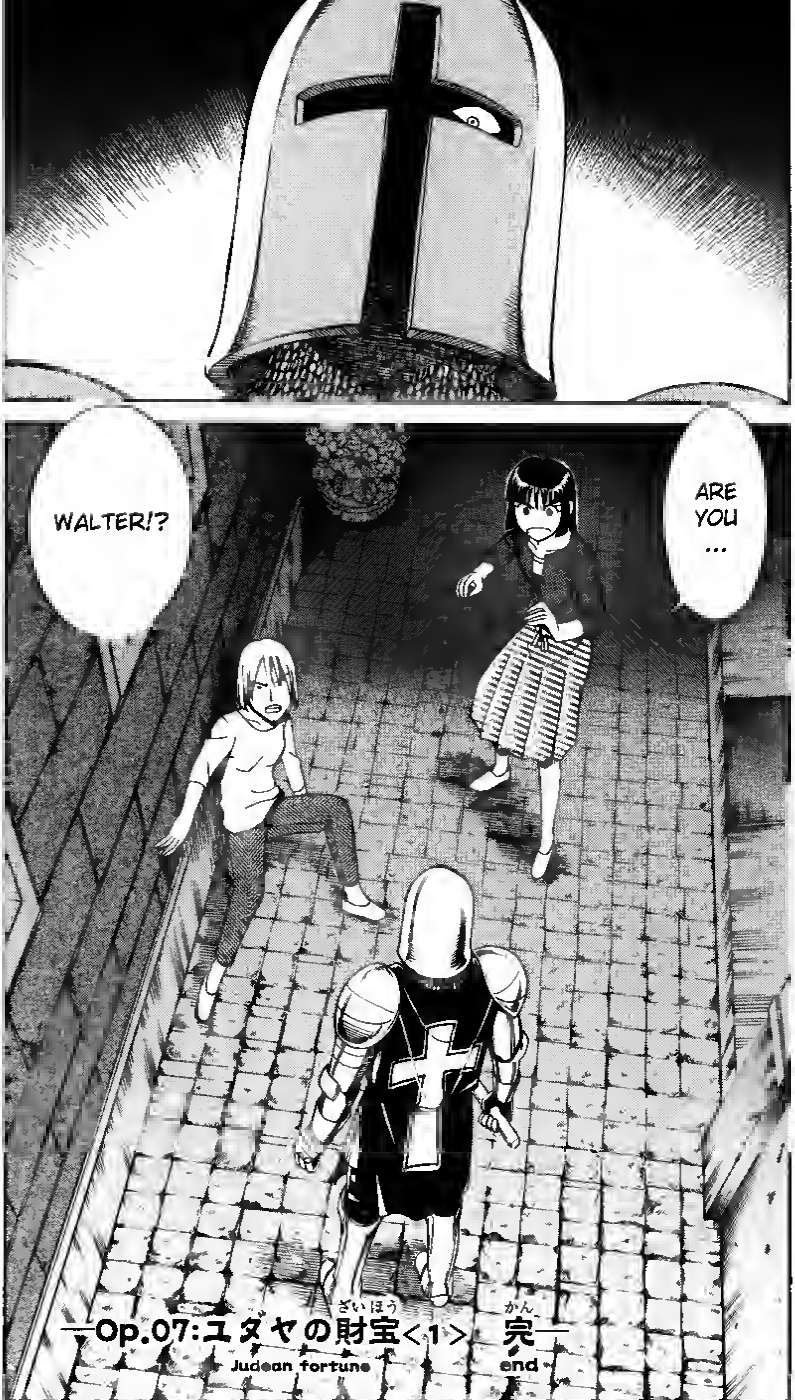

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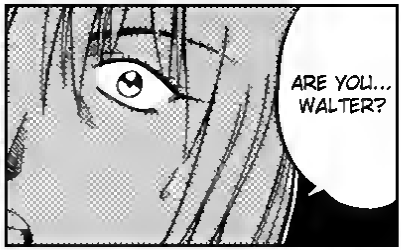

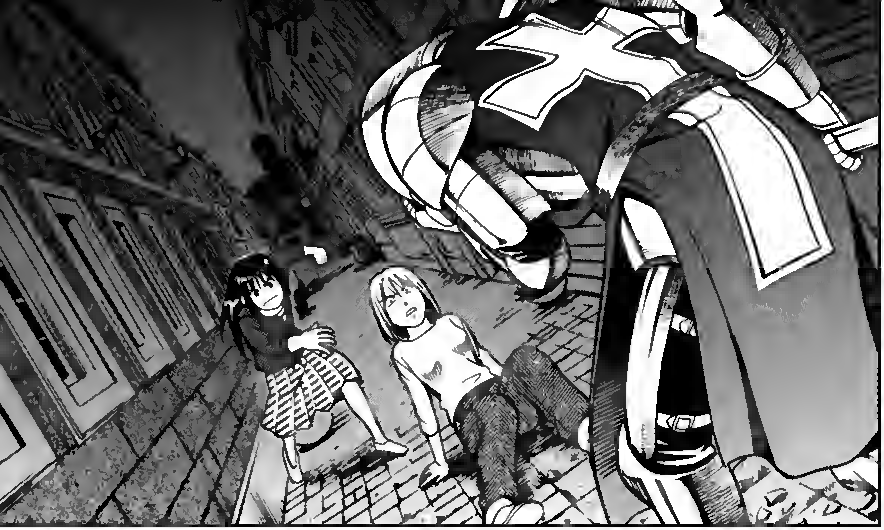

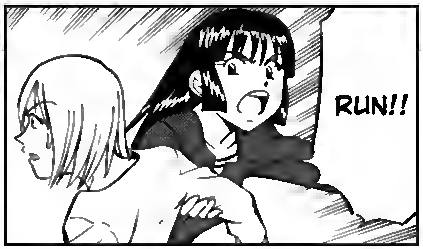
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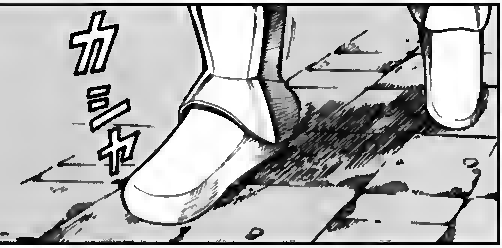
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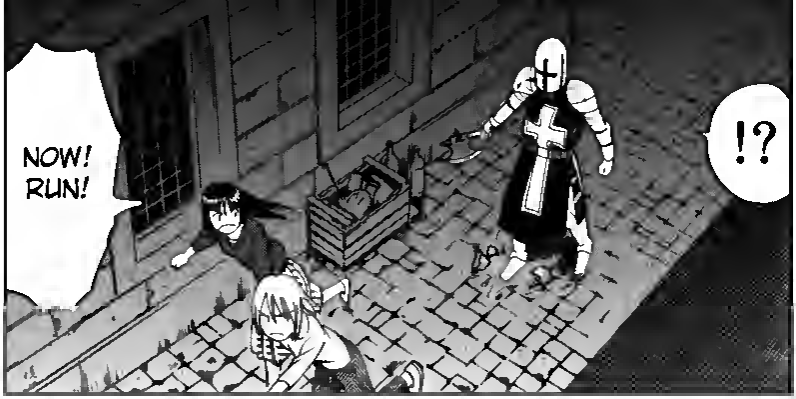
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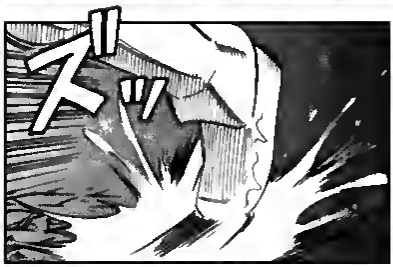
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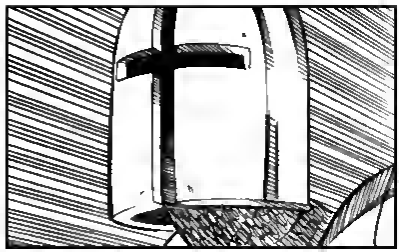

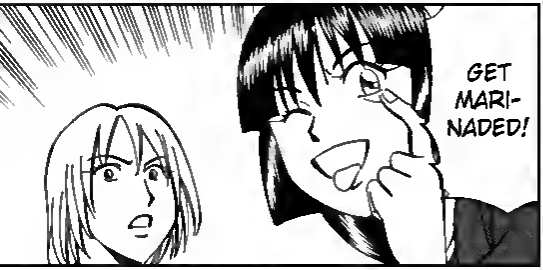
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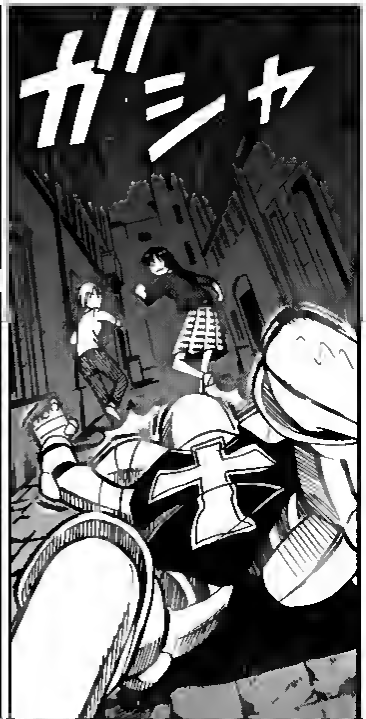
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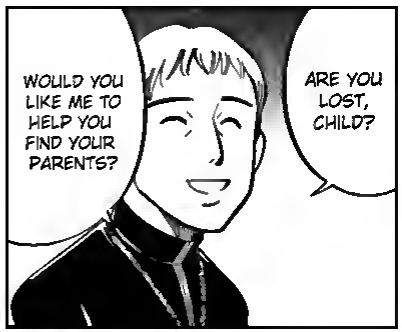
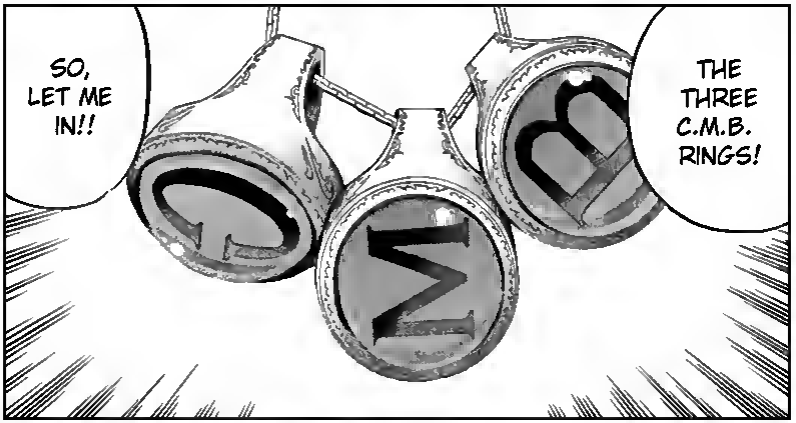
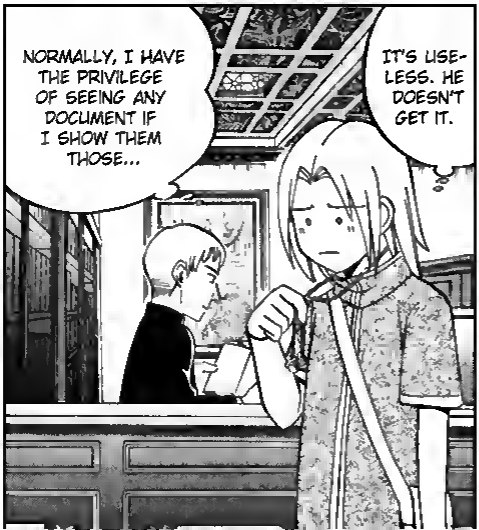
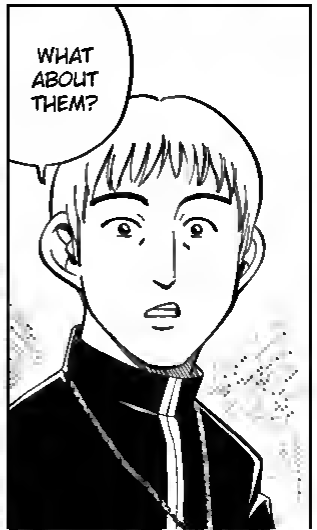
VATICAN LIBRARY
THAT'S WHY~
LET ME SEE THE BOOK OVER THERE~
YOU CAN'T. THERE ARE A LOT OF IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS. IT ISN'T A KID'S PLAYGROUND.

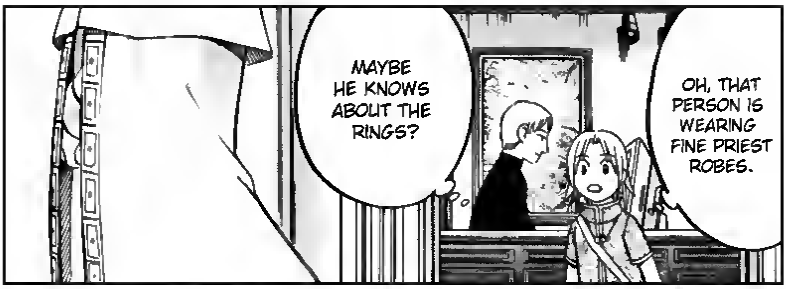
OKAY THEN, HAVE A LOOK!

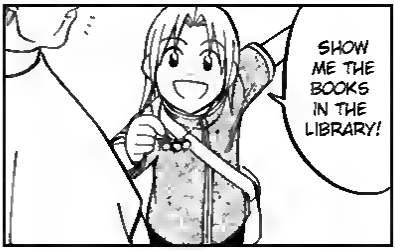

ARE YOU LOST, CHILD?
WOULD YOU LIKE ME TO HELP YOU FIND YOUR PARENTS?

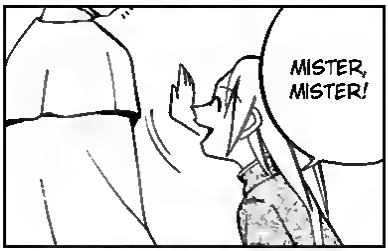

THE THREE C.M.B. RINGS!
SO, LET ME IN!!

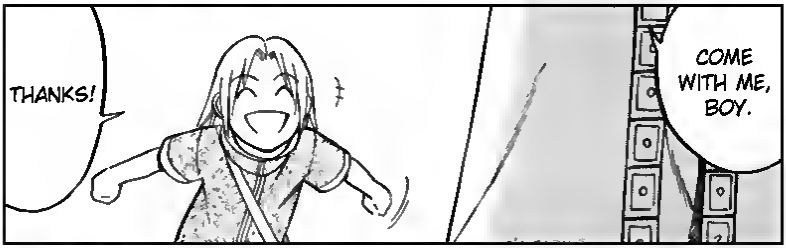

IT'S USE-LESS. HE DOESN'T GET IT.
NORMALLY, I HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF SEEING ANY DOCUMENT IF I SHOW THEM THOSE...

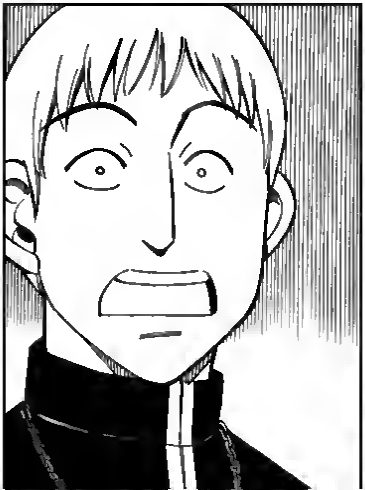

WHAT ABOUT THEM?


MAYBE HE KNOWS ABOUT THE RINGS?
OH, THAT PERSON IS WEARING FINE PRIEST ROBES.


SHOW ME THE BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY!


MISTER, MISTER!


THANKS!
COME WITH ME, BOY.



LET THIS CHILD READ THE DOCUMENTS.

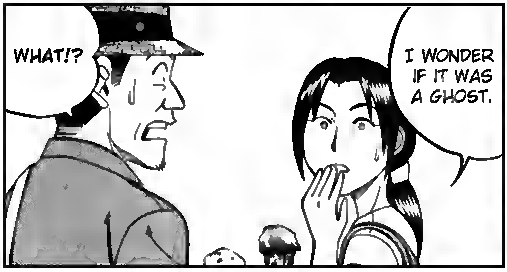
YOUR HOLINESS !!

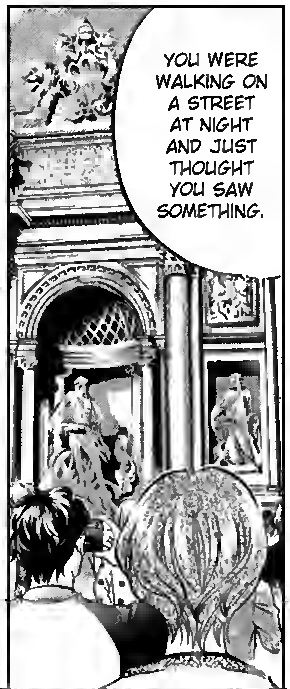
TREVI FOUNTAIN

MAYBE IT WAS JUST A DREAM?

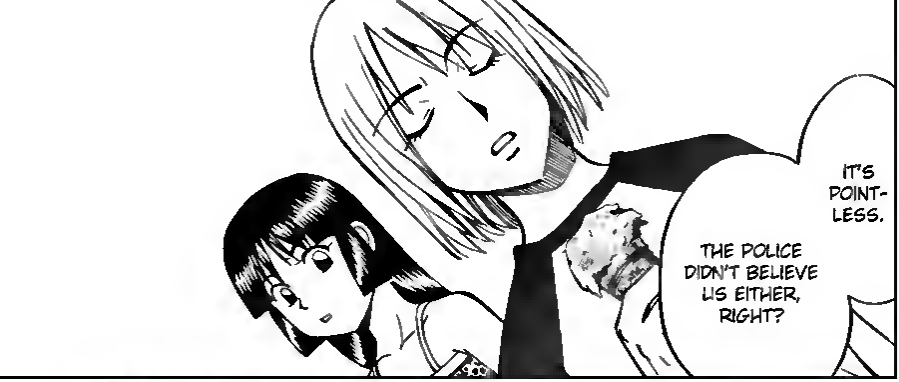
BUT IT REALLY HAPPENED !!

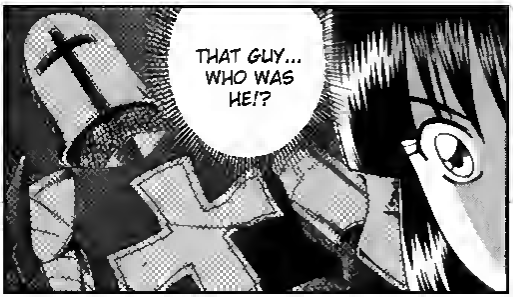
THEY SAID THEY DIDN'T FIND ANY MARKS ON THE WALLS.
AND THEN THE POLICE CAME AND LOOKED INTO IT, RIGHT?
THAT STRANGE ARMORED GUY WAS SWINGING HIS AXE AROUND.
ITALIAN GELATO

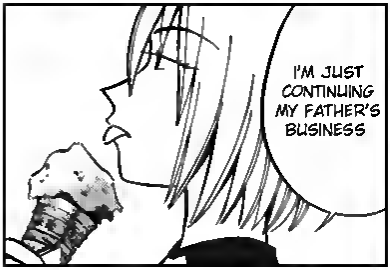

WHAT!?
I WONDER IF IT WAS A GHOST.


YOU WERE WALKING ON A STREET AT NIGHT AND JUST THOUGHT YOU SAW SOMETHING.

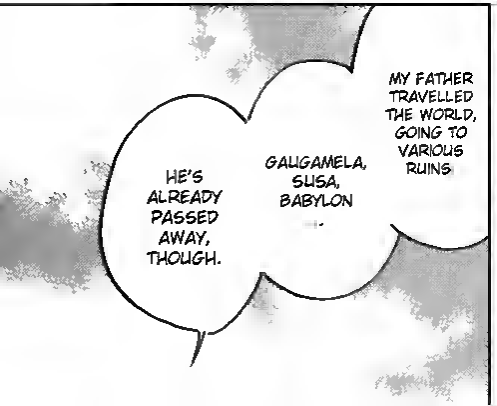
IT WASN'T A GHOST!!
THERE ARE GHOSTS IN ITALY TOO?

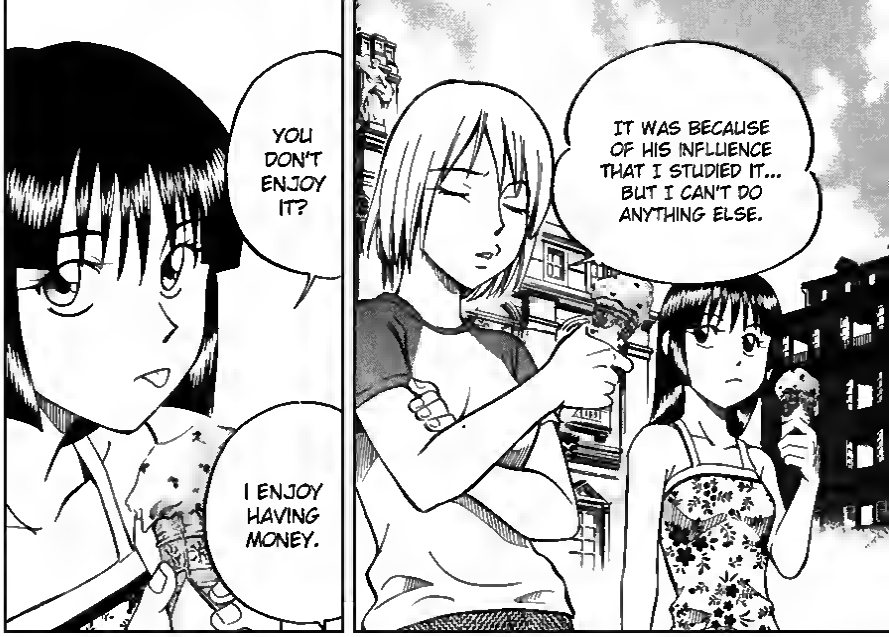

IT'S POINT-LESS.
THE POLICE DIDN'T BELIEVE US EITHER, RIGHT?


THAT GUY... WHO WAS HE!?

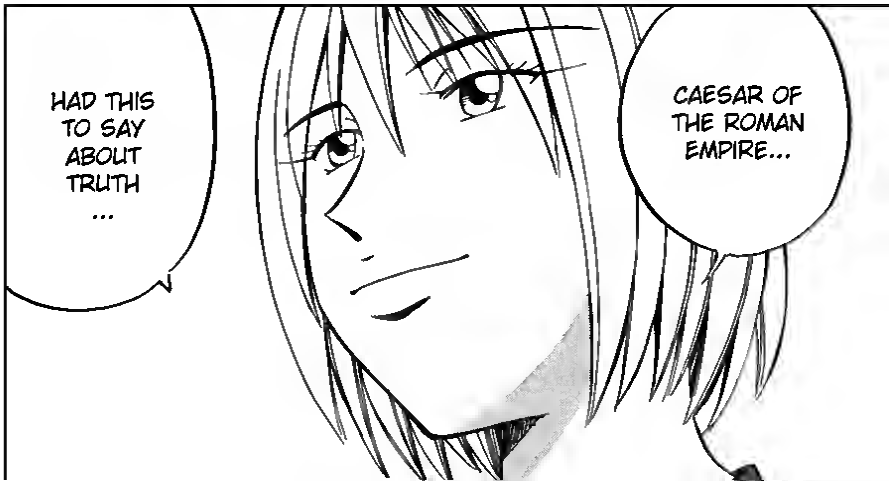

I'M JUST CONTINUING MY FATHER'S BUSINESS

HMM?
JAMIE, WHY DO YOU WORK FOR A HISTORICAL SITE INVESTIGATION AGENCY?


MY FATHER TRAVELLED THE WORLD, GOING TO VARIOUS RUINS
GAUGAMELA, SUSA, BABYLON
HE'S ALREADY PASSED AWAY, THOUGH.


YOU DON'T ENJOY IT?
I ENJOY HAVING MONEY.
IT WAS BECAUSE OF HIS INFLUENCE THAT I STUDIED IT... BUT I CAN'T DO ANYTHING ELSE.

HA! WHY WOULD YOU WANT TO DIG HOLES IN THE GROUND?
BUT WHAT ABOUT DISCOVERING A NEW HISTORICAL TRUTH?

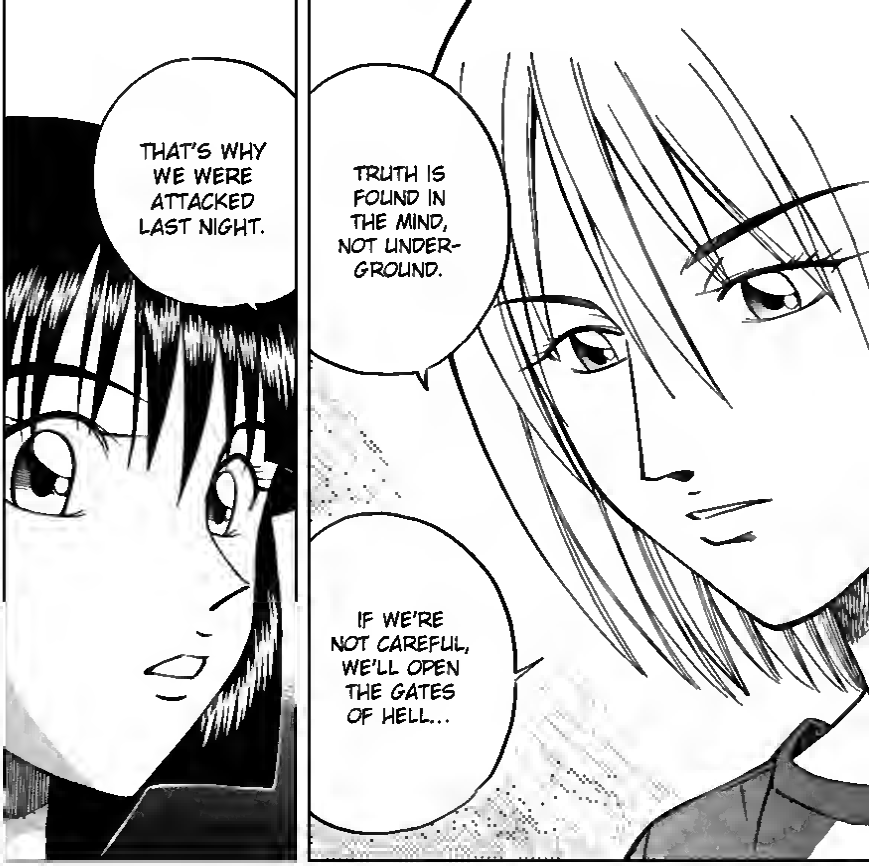

HAD THIS TO SAY ABOUT TRUTH ...
CAESAR OF THE ROMAN EMPIRE...

"MEN WILLINGLY BELIEVE...

WHAT THEY WISH."

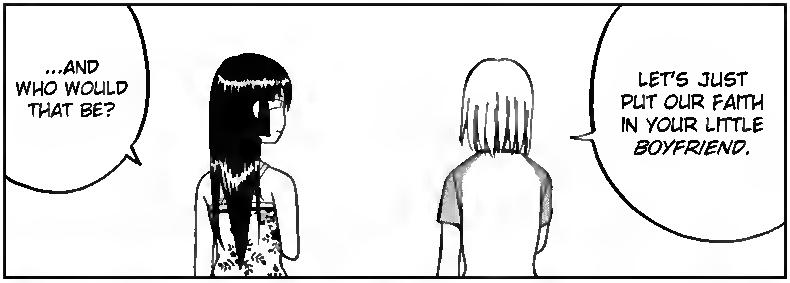
THE THINGS THAT PEOPLE DON'T WANT TO HEAR ARE CONSIDERED "LIES".

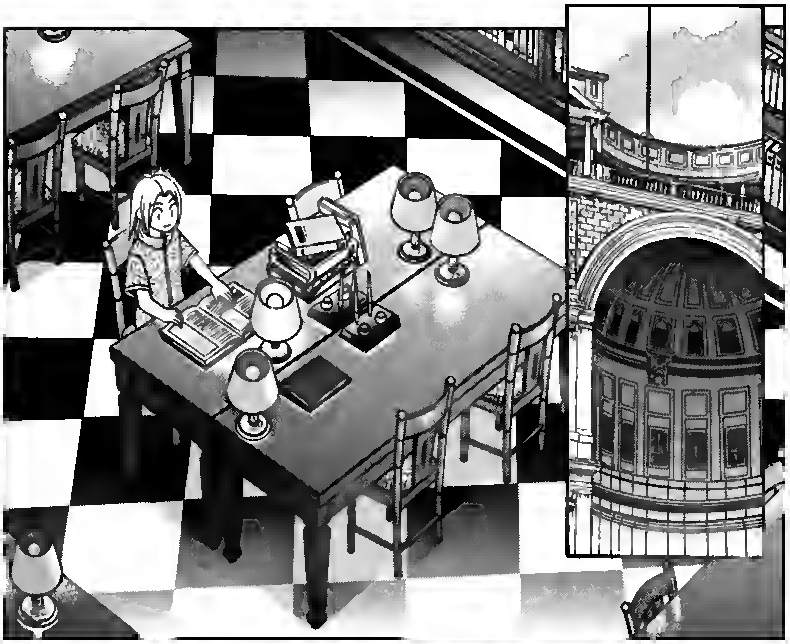
IT'S EASY TO MANIPULATE PEOPLE IF WE ONLY TELL THEM WHAT THEY WANT TO HEAR.

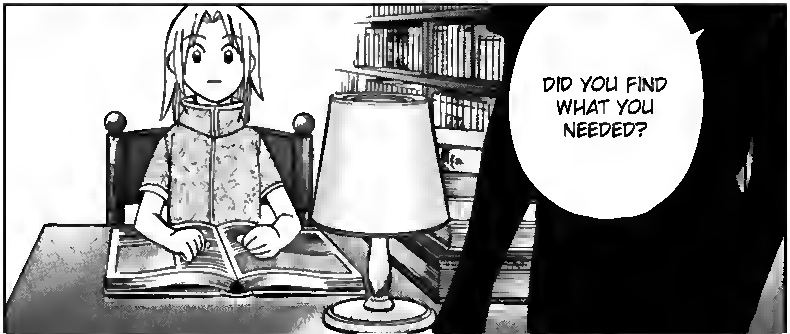

THAT'S WHY WE WERE ATTACKED LAST NIGHT.
TRUTH IS FOUND IN THE MIND, NOT UNDER-GROUND.
IF WE'RE NOT CAREFUL, WE'LL OPEN THE GATES OF HELL...

AS LONG AS I'M HAPPY, IT'S ENOUGH.
I HAVE MONEY, I'M EATING GELATO...

THE NEW HISTORICAL DISCOVERIES MADE BY SCHOLARS AROUND THE WORLD ONLY MAKE TEXTBOOKS THICKER.
OH, I DON'T WANT THAT.

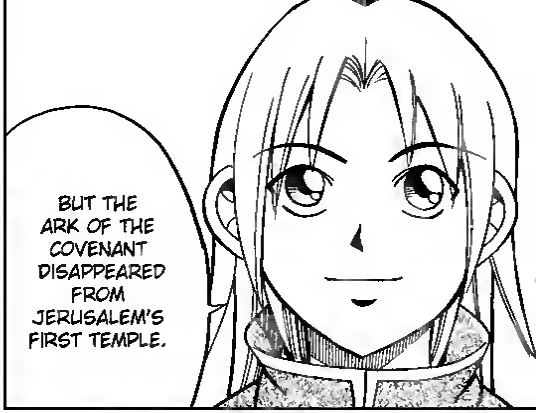

...AND WHO WOULD THAT BE?
LET'S JUST PUT OUR FAITH IN YOUR LITTLE BOYFRIEND.

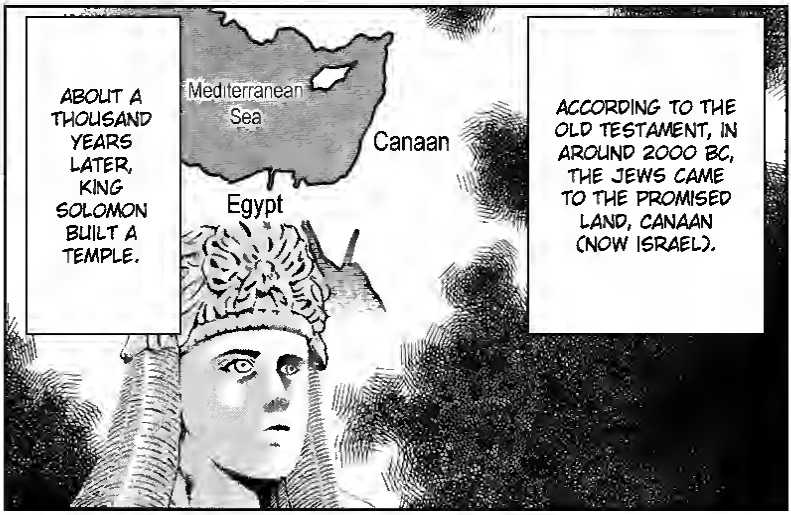



DID YOU FIND WHAT YOU NEEDED?

NO, I DIDN'T FIND IT.
BUT I WAS CHECKING TO SEE IF IT WASN'T THERE.
CARLO ...
...THAT'S GOOD.
IT'S A LITTLE ABOVE NORMAL.
SO, I GUESS YOU'RE MAKING PROGRESS IN YOUR INVESTIGATION?
WHAT DO YOU THINK IT WAS?
CARL FOUND A "JUDEAN FORTUNE" BEFORE HE WAS MURDERED.

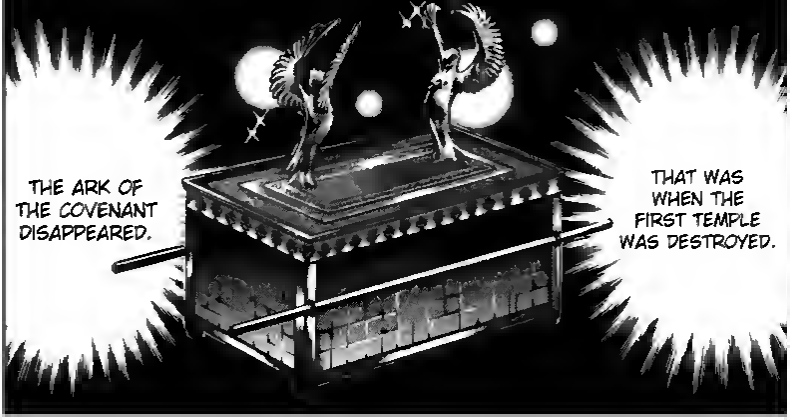
WELL, IT MIGHT BE GOLD TAKEN FROM JERUSALEM'S TEMPLE.
OR IT COULD EVEN BE THE FAMOUS "ARK OF THE COVENANT" THAT APPEARS IN STORIES AND MOVIES.
.....
FINALLY, IT COULD BE AARON'S ROD, WHICH COULD CAUSE MIRACLES.
IT COULD BE AN URN OF MANNA, FOOD GIVEN BY GOD THAT APPEARED ON THE GROUND.
THE ARK IS SAID TO CONTAIN THE TABLETS OF MOSES'S TEN COMMANDMENTS.
HEAVEN AND EARTH WOULD BE OVERTURNED, AND THERE WOULD BE AN UPROAR.
CLEARLY, IF ANY OF THOSE WERE FOUND IN THE PRESENT TIME...

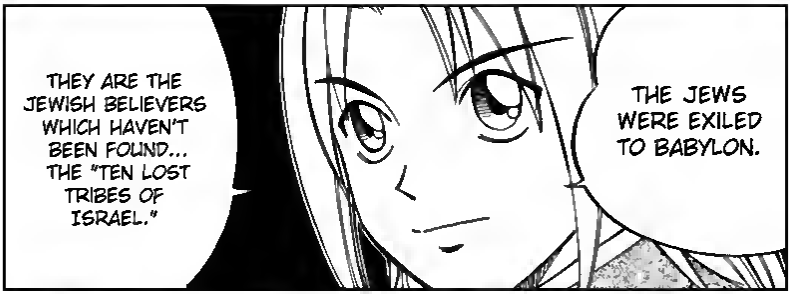

BUT THE ARK OF THE COVENANT DISAPPEARED FROM JERUSALEM'S FIRST TEMPLE.

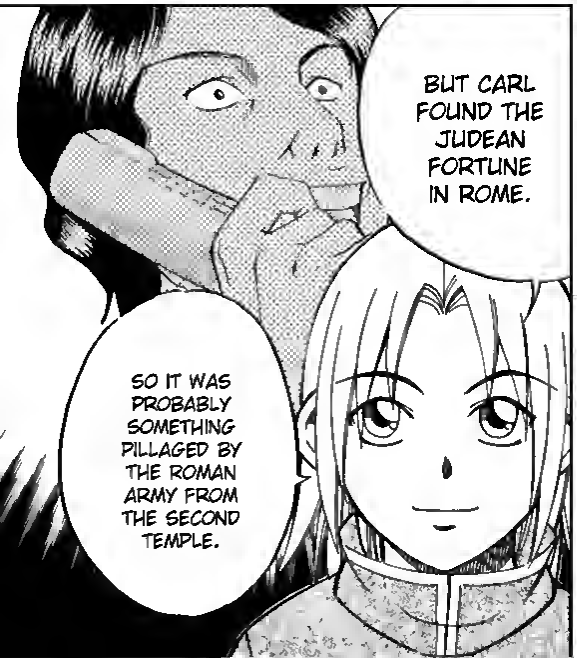

ABOUT A THOUSAND YEARS LATER, KING SOLOMON BUILT A TEMPLE.
Mediterranean Sea
Canaan
Egypt
ACCORDING TO THE OLD TESTAMENT, IN AROUND 2000 BC, THE JEWS CAME TO THE PROMISED LAND, CANAAN (NOW ISRAEL).

Tigris River
Babylon
Euphrates River
Jerusalem
Mediterranean Sea
Red Sea
ABOUT 400 YEARS LATER, THE BABYLON EMPIRE, WHICH DREW WATER FROM THE STREAMS OF MESOPOTAMIA, INVADED.

THAT WAS THE "FIRST TEMPLE."


THE ARK OF THE COVENANT DISAPPEARED.
THAT WAS WHEN THE FIRST TEMPLE WAS DESTROYED.


THEY ARE THE JEWISH BELIEVERS WHICH HAVEN'T BEEN FOUND... THE "TEN LOST TRIBES OF ISRAEL."
THE JEWS WERE EXILED TO BABYLON.


BUT CARL FOUND THE JUDEAN FORTUNE IN ROME.
SO IT WAS PROBABLY SOMETHING PILLAGED BY THE ROMAN ARMY FROM THE SECOND TEMPLE.

HANNAH AND AMISHAV ARE TRYING TO FIND THE TEN LOST TRIBES.

KING HEROD REBUILT THE TEMPLE ON THE SAME SPOT.

THE SECOND TEMPLE WAS BUILT 70 YEARS AFTER KING SOLOMON'S FIRST TEMPLE.

THEY MAKE UP THE WESTERN WALL.

THE TRACES OF THAT DESTRUCTION IS HOLY GROUND IN JERUSALEM.

WHY ARE YOU ASKING ME?

SO WHAT WAS THE JUDEAN FORTUNE THAT WAS TAKEN FROM THE SECOND TEMPLE?

THAT'S THE SYMBOL OF THE KNIGHTS OF MALTA.
ISN'T THAT THE MALTESE CROSS ON YOUR ARM?
THE KNIGHTS OF MALTA WAS FORMED FROM ST. JOHN'S ORDER, WHICH WAS STARTED TO PROTECT CHRISTIANS WHO MADE PILGRIMAGES.
THEY MOVED TO THE ISLAND OF MALTA AND BECAME THE KNIGHTS OF MALTA.
Italy
Constantinople
Islamic Empire
Rhodes
Malta
Mediterranean Sea
LATER, IN THE 16TH CENTURY, THEY WERE DEFEATED IN A BATTLE WITH THE MUSLIMS.

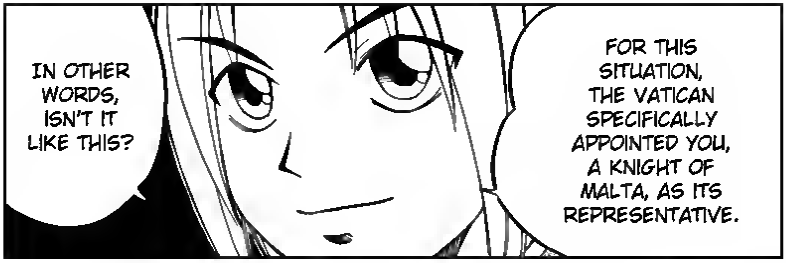
BUT IN 1798, MALTA FELL TO FRANCE'S ARMY LED BY NAPOLEON, AND THE KNIGHTS OF MALTA LOST THEIR TERRITORY.

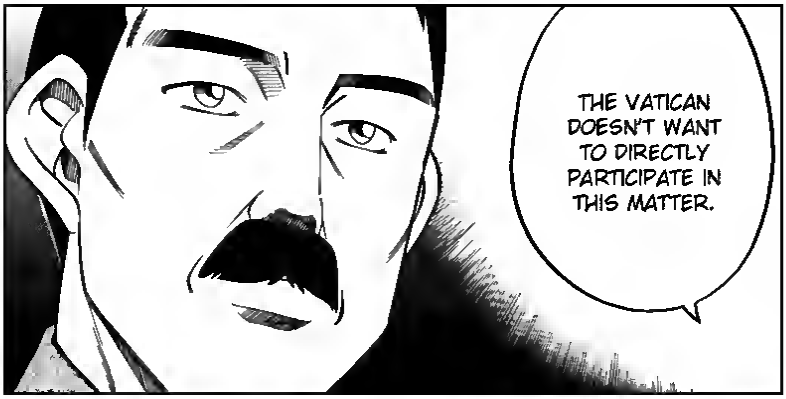
IT'S AN ORGANIZATION THAT MAINLY SPECIALIZES IN MEDICAL CARE.

CURRENTLY, THEY'RE IN A BUILDING IN VATICAN CITY.

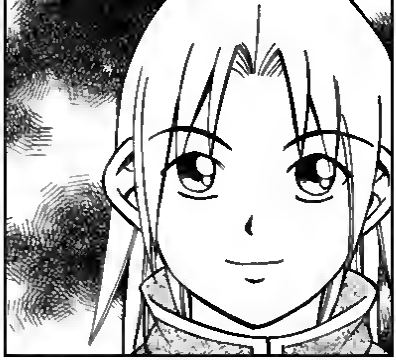
IT'S AN INDEPENDENT ENTITY WITHOUT ANY TERRITORY!!

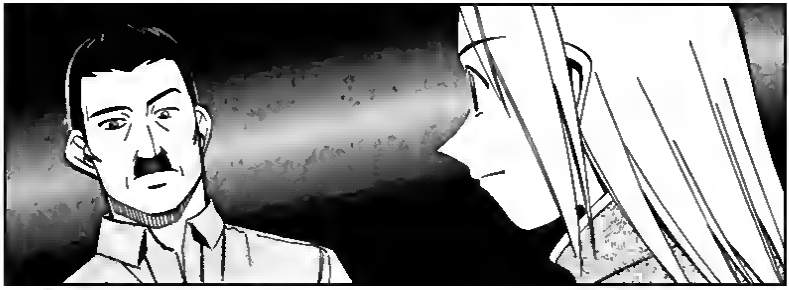
BUT THE BUILDING OF THE KNIGHTS OF MALTA HAS EXTRATERRITORIAL RIGHTS AND THE RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE UN. IN OTHER WORDS...

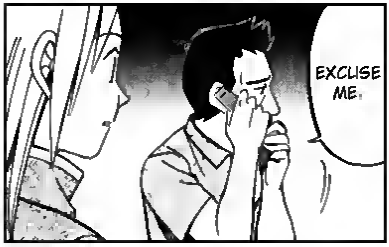

IN OTHER WORDS, ISN'T IT LIKE THIS?
FOR THIS SITUATION, THE VATICAN SPECIFICALLY APPOINTED YOU, A KNIGHT OF MALTA, AS ITS REPRESENTATIVE.


THE VATICAN DOESN'T WANT TO DIRECTLY PARTICIPATE IN THIS MATTER.

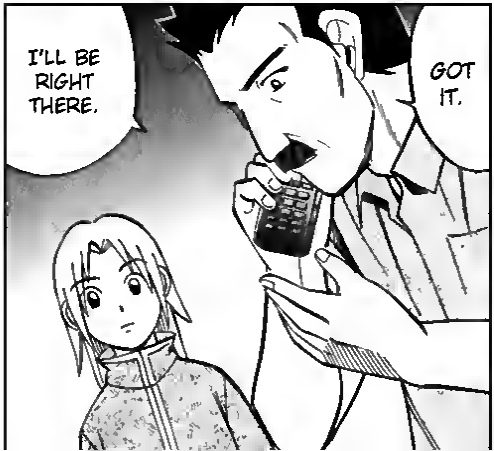
BY ANY CHANCE, DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA WHAT THE JUDEAN FORTUNE IS?



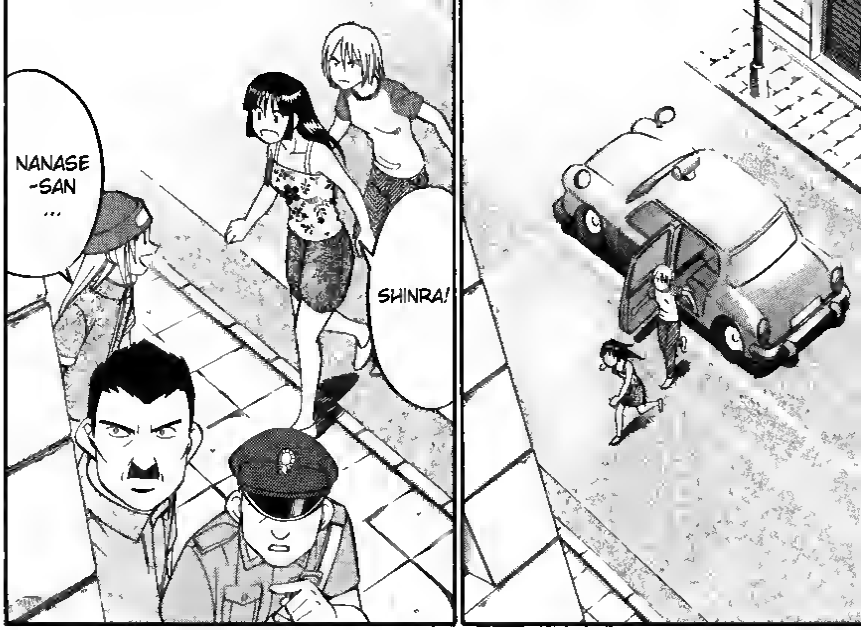


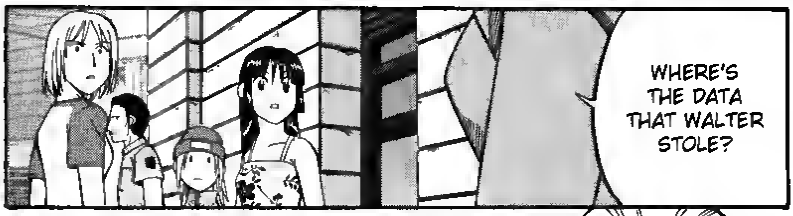

EXCUSE ME.

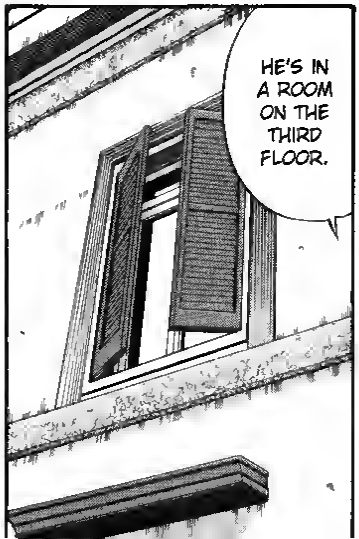
RING RING


I'LL BE RIGHT THERE.
GOT IT.

IT LOOKS LIKE YOU DON'T NEED MY OPINION AFTER ALL.
THE POLICE FOUND WALTER.
HOTEL
WHY?

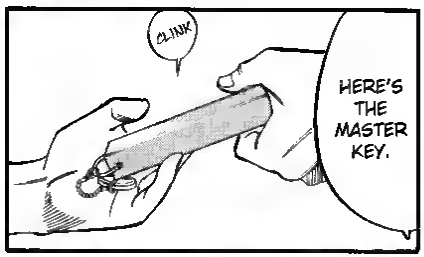

NANASE -SAN ...
SHINRA!


WHERE'S THE DATA THAT WALTER STOLE?

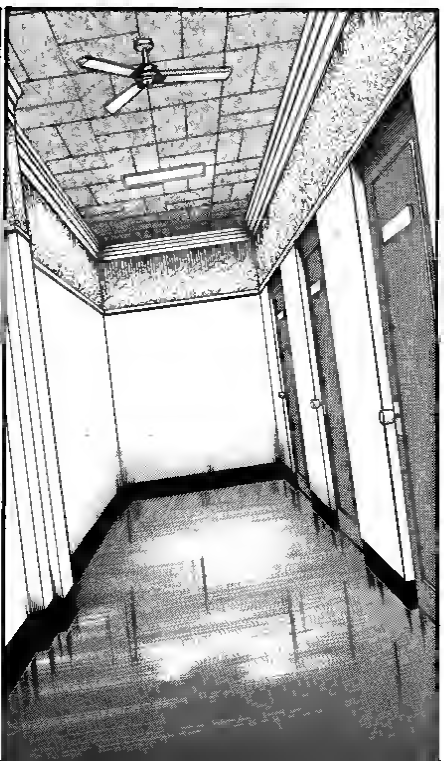

HE'S IN A ROOM ON THE THIRD FLOOR.

HANNAH ...

WHAT ABOUT THE BACK DOOR?
WE DON'T HAVE ONE.

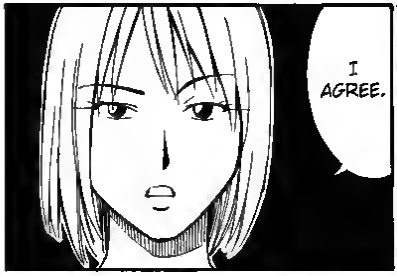

CLINK
HERE'S THE MASTER KEY.

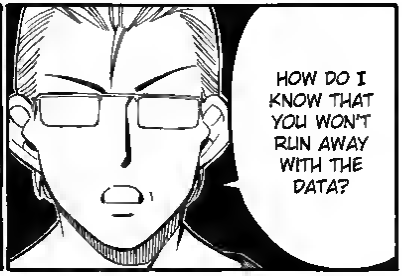
THAT'S THE ONE.



EVERYONE, GET BACK.

YOU SHOULD TOO...


I AGREE.


HOW DO I KNOW THAT YOU WON'T RUN AWAY WITH THE DATA?

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HE'S INSIDE!
WE HEARD NOISES.

CLICK
HAVE YOU EATEN IT YET!?
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THE CHOCOLATE THAT'S ALWAYS BEEN TWICE AS DELICIOUS...

FREEZE!
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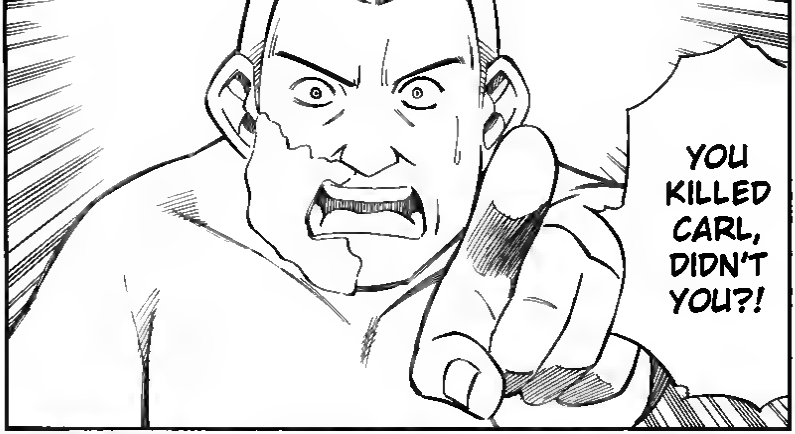
YES ...
YOU'RE WALTER REIN!?
WALTER!!
YOU!
GIVE US BACK THE STOLEN DATA!


YOU KILLED CARL, DIDN'T YOU?!

STOP !!
SHIT !!
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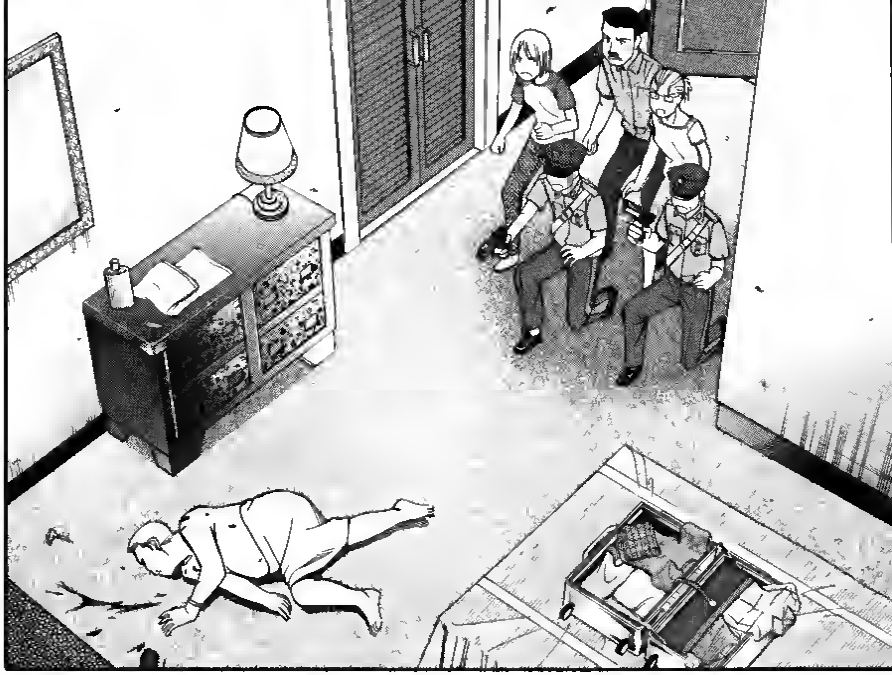
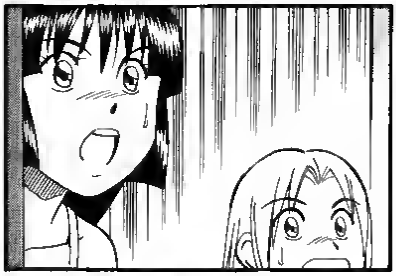
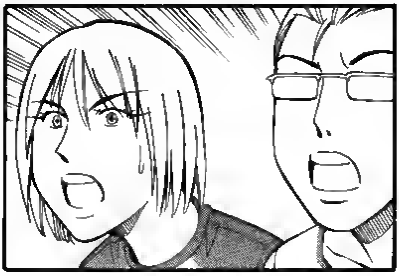


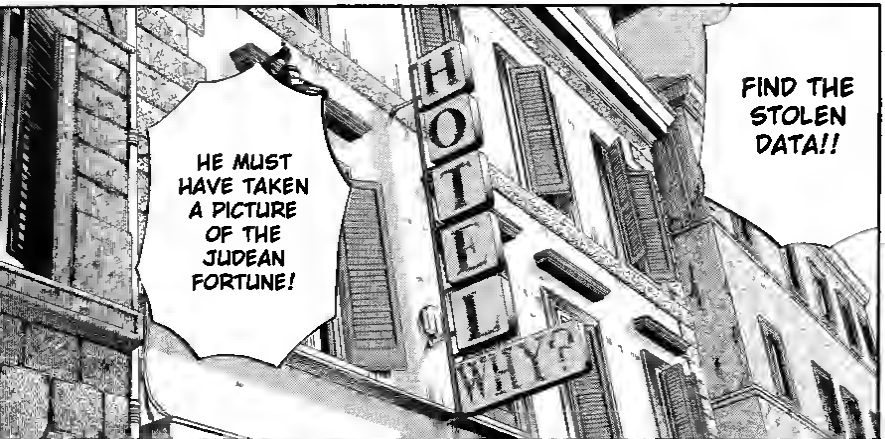




SOMEONE PUSHED MY BACK!

NO, IT WASN'T ME!
WHY DID YOU ...

SEARCH HIS PERSONAL BELONGINGS!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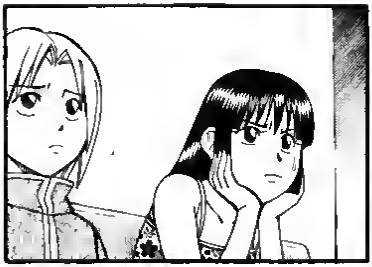
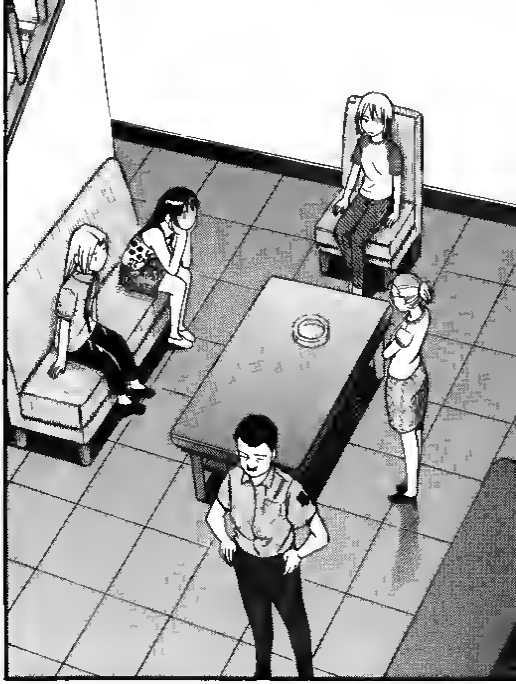
WHY?
HE MUST HAVE TAKEN A PICTURE OF THE JUDEAN FORTUNE!
FIND THE STOLEN DATA!!



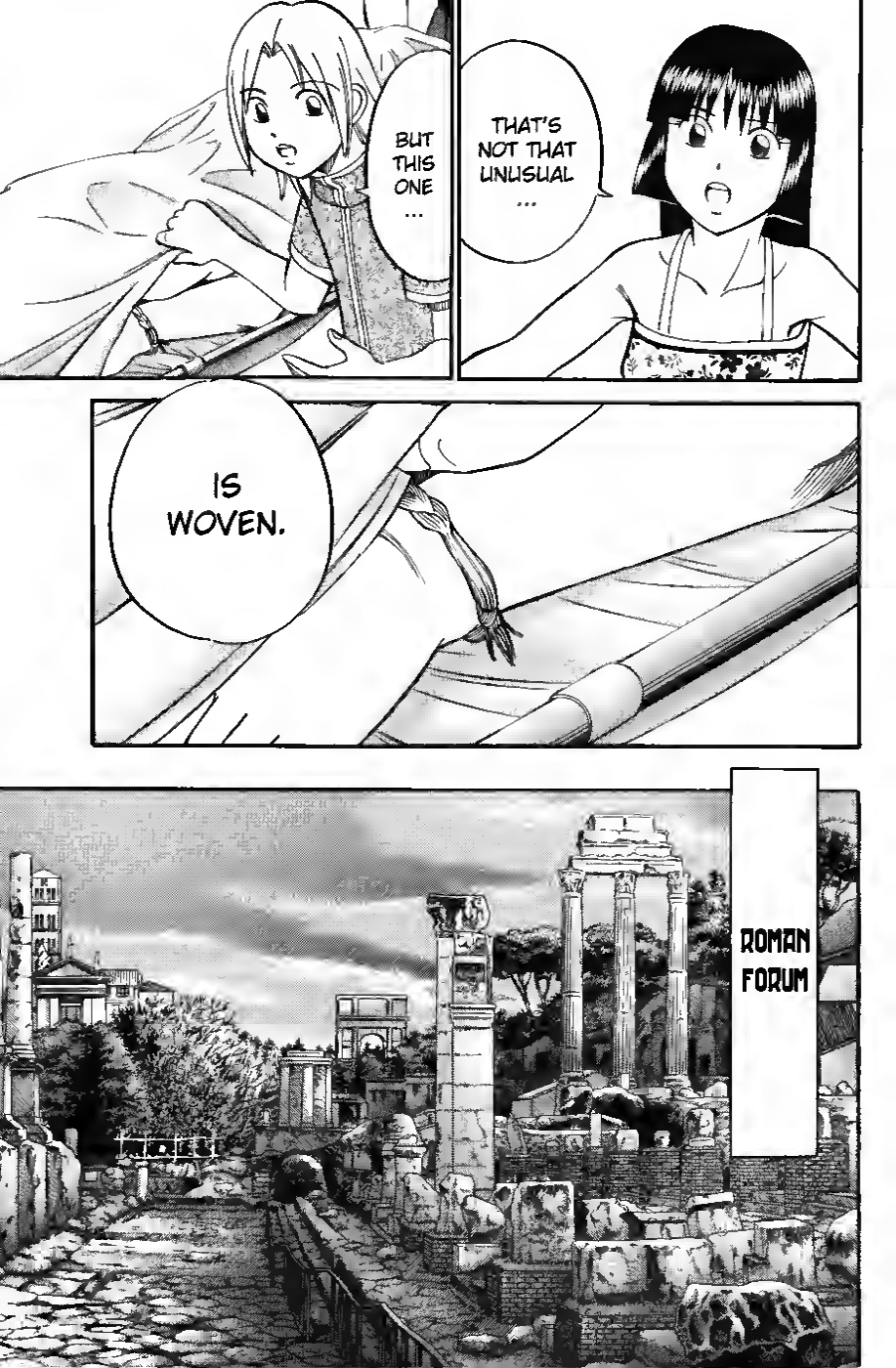


I'M WONDERING ABOUT WHAT WALTER SAID.

THAT GUY STOLE THE DATA, SO WHY DID HE ACCUSE US OF BEING THE KILLERS?
CLICK

HE WAS GOING FOR HIS GUN.
IT WAS LEGITIMATE SELF-DEFENSE.
BUT, THE POLICEMAN SAID SOMEONE PUSHED HIS BACK ...
SOMEONE PROBABLY TOUCHED HIM BY ACCIDENT.
WHAT ABOUT THE DATA?
SORRY ABOUT THE WAIT.
NO, HE HAD A CHANGE OF CLOTHES AND HIS WALLET.
THE ONLY OTHER THING HE HAD WAS A GUN.
DID YOU FIND IT?

WHY DID HE GET SOMETHING LIKE THAT ...?
TO PROTECT HIMSELF, I GUESS?
WAIT.
IT'S A MISANGA BRACELET.
H-HEY!


BUT THIS ONE ...
THAT'S NOT THAT UNUSUAL ...
IS WOVEN.
ROMAN FORUM

WHY?
SHOULDN'T YOU STOP THE INVESTIGATION ALREADY?
BECAUSE TWO PEOPLE ALREADY DIED.
WALTER WAS SHOT BY A POLICEMAN ...
CARL WAS IMPALED BY A TRIDENT ...

THE JUDEAN FORTUNE MIGHT BE BURIED IN THIS CITY SOMEWHERE.
THERE IS NO TRUTH.
IN THE GROUND...
IF WE DIG ANY DEEPER ...
WE MIGHT OPEN THE GATES OF HELL...!!

NO WAY!
WE SHOULD GO HOME ...

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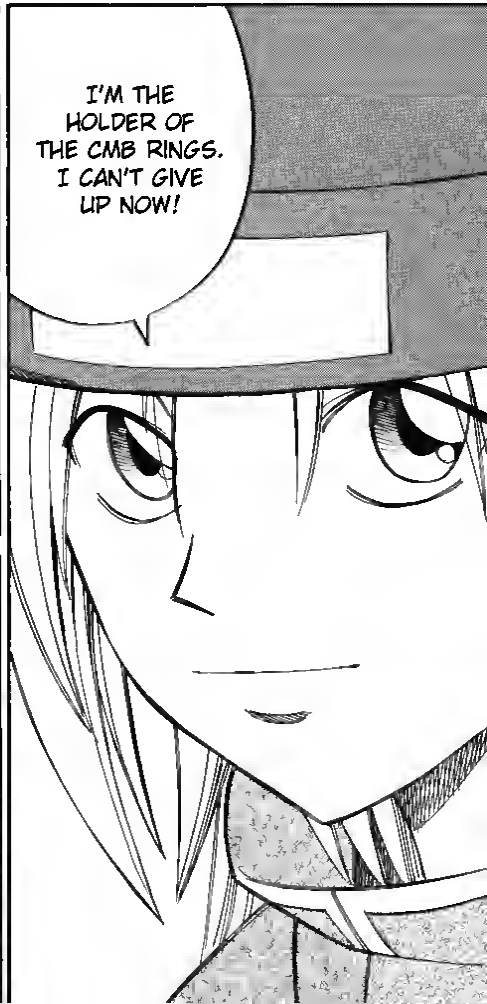
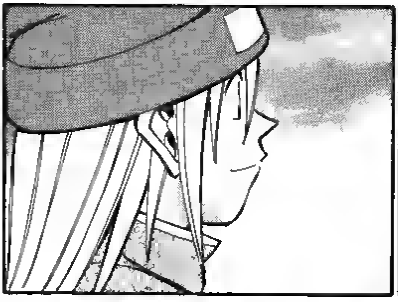

I'M THE HOLDER OF THE CMB RINGS. I CAN'T GIVE UP NOW!

WHAT!?
BESIDES, THERE IS A CLUE.

WE CAN SEE THE COLOS-SEUM.
LOOK.

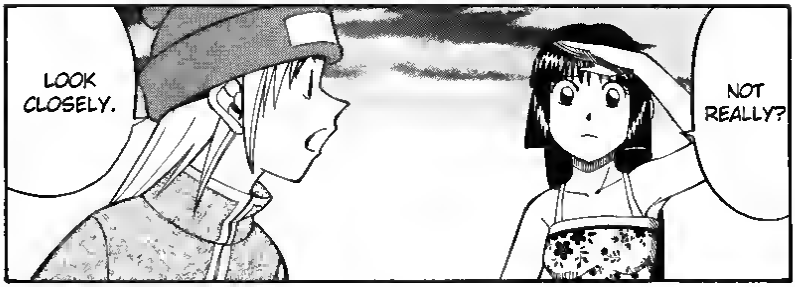
HAVEN'T YOU NOTICED ANYTHING ABOUT THEM?
AND WE CAN SEE THE RUINS OF THE ROMAN FORUM.

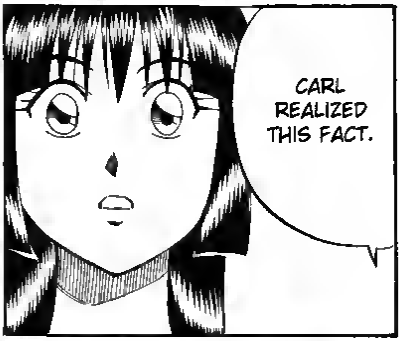


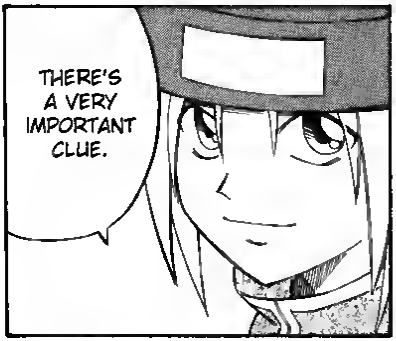
HUH?

THE COLOS-SEUM ...

AND THE ROMAN FORUM.







CAN YOU SEE WHERE THE JUDEAN TREASURE LIES?

TAKE A LOOK!

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LOOK CAREFULLY, NANASE-SAN.

THE ROMAN FORUM HERE...

AND THE COLOSSEUM YOU CAN SEE ON THE OTHER SIDE..
THERE'S A BIG DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TWO OF THEM!

HAVE YOU NOTICED IT YET?
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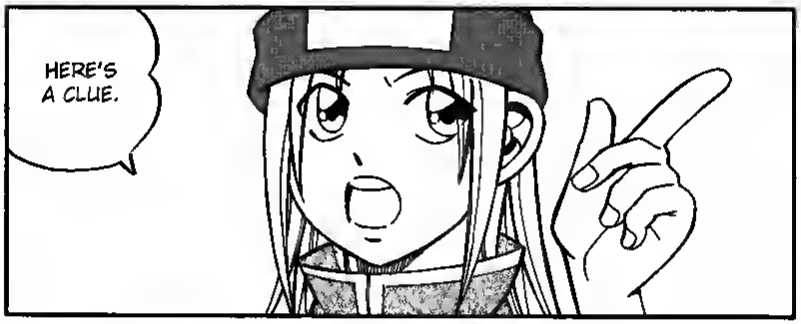
NOT THAT!
THE SHAPE, COLOR AND LOCATION!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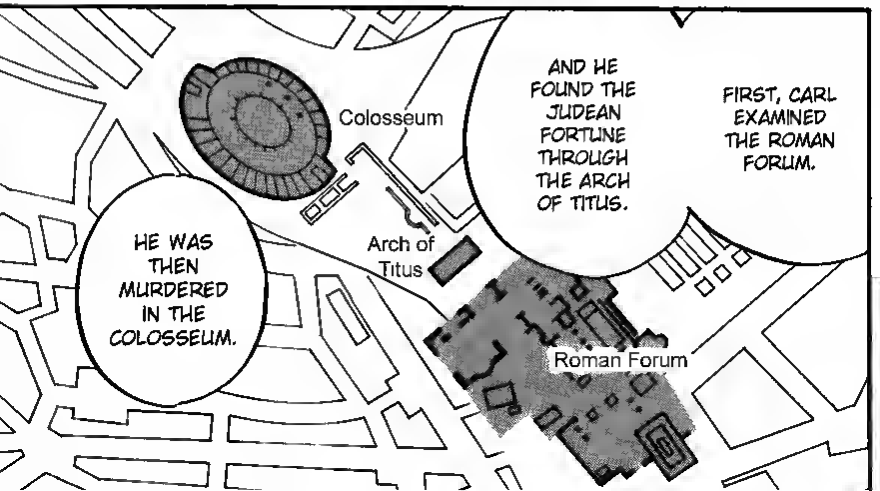
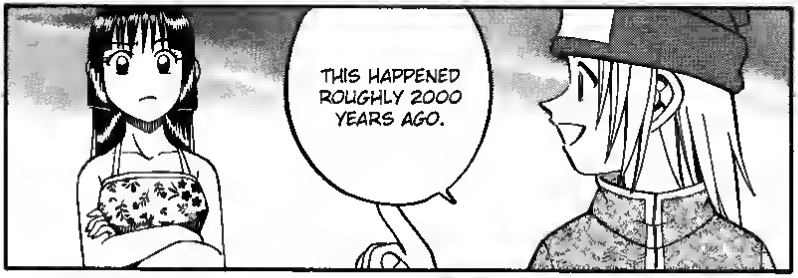

FIRST, CARL EXAMINED THE ROMAN FORUM.
AND HE FOUND THE JUDEAN FORTUNE THROUGH THE ARCH OF TITUS.
HE WAS THEN MURDERED IN THE COLOSSEUM.
Colosseum
Arch of Titus
Roman Forum

NERO ERECTED A GIANT STATUE OF HIMSELF IN THE GARDEN.
ORIGINALLY, EMPEROR NERO BUILT A GARDEN WITH A MANMADE LAKE WHERE THE COLOSSEUM NOW STANDS.
"COLOS-SUS"
THAT WAS THE SOURCE OF THE NAME "COLOSSEUM".
CONSTRUCTION WORK WAS EXTREMELY DIFFICULT.
THEY HAD TO BUILD THE HUGE, STONE COLOSSEUM ON THE WEAK BASE OF A LAKE FLOOR.

THEY DUG A HOLE SEVEN METRES DEEP TO THE SOLID BEDROCK.
AND THEY BUILT A STRONG FOUNDATION.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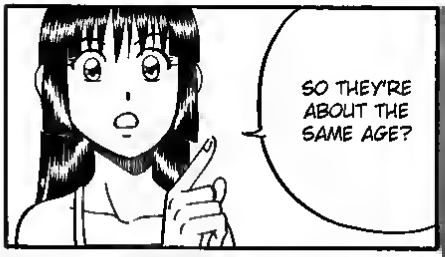
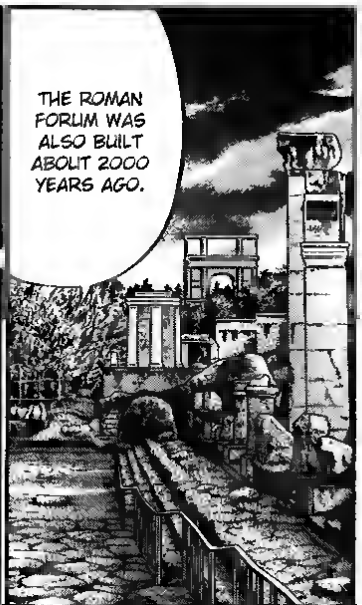
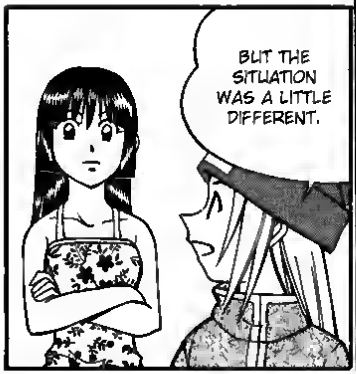
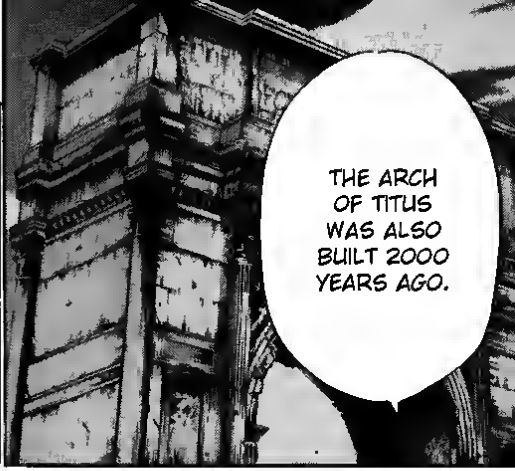
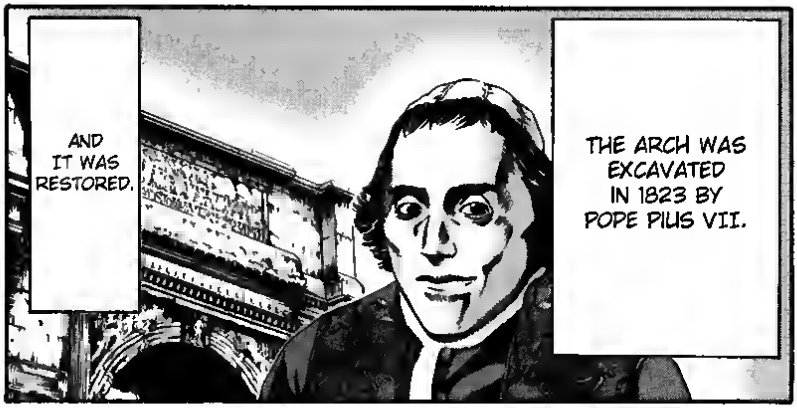

SO THEY'RE ABOUT THE SAME AGE?

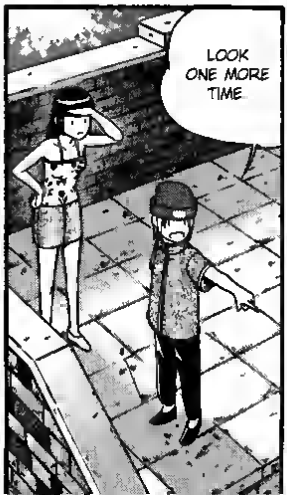

THE ROMAN FORUM WAS ALSO BUILT ABOUT 2000 YEARS AGO.

EXACTLY!


BUT THE SITUATION WAS A LITTLE DIFFERENT.


THE ARCH OF TITUS WAS ALSO BUILT 2000 YEARS AGO.


AND IT WAS RESTORED.
THE ARCH WAS EXCAVATED IN 1823 BY POPE PIUS VII.


LOOK ONE MORE TIME

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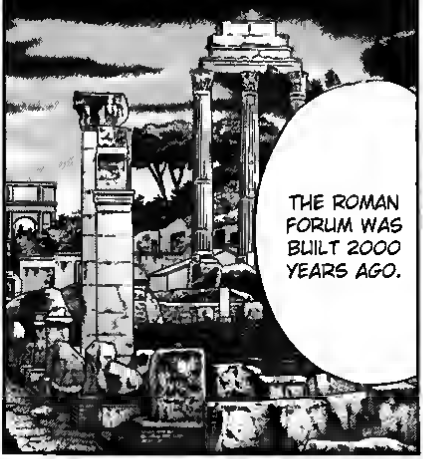
SO IT IS IN EXCELLENT CONDITION.

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THEM?
AND SO WAS THE COLOSSEUM.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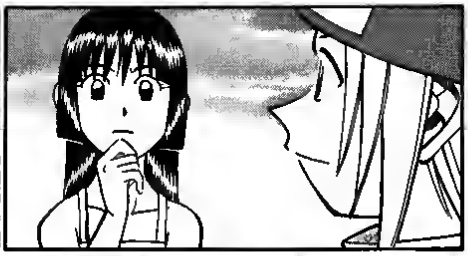

I GET IT!!
THE ROMAN FORUM HAS CRUMBLED...

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BUT EVEN THOUGH THE COLOSSEUM HAS STOOD FOR THE SAME 2000 YEARS...

IT'S IN MUCH BETTER CONDITION!!

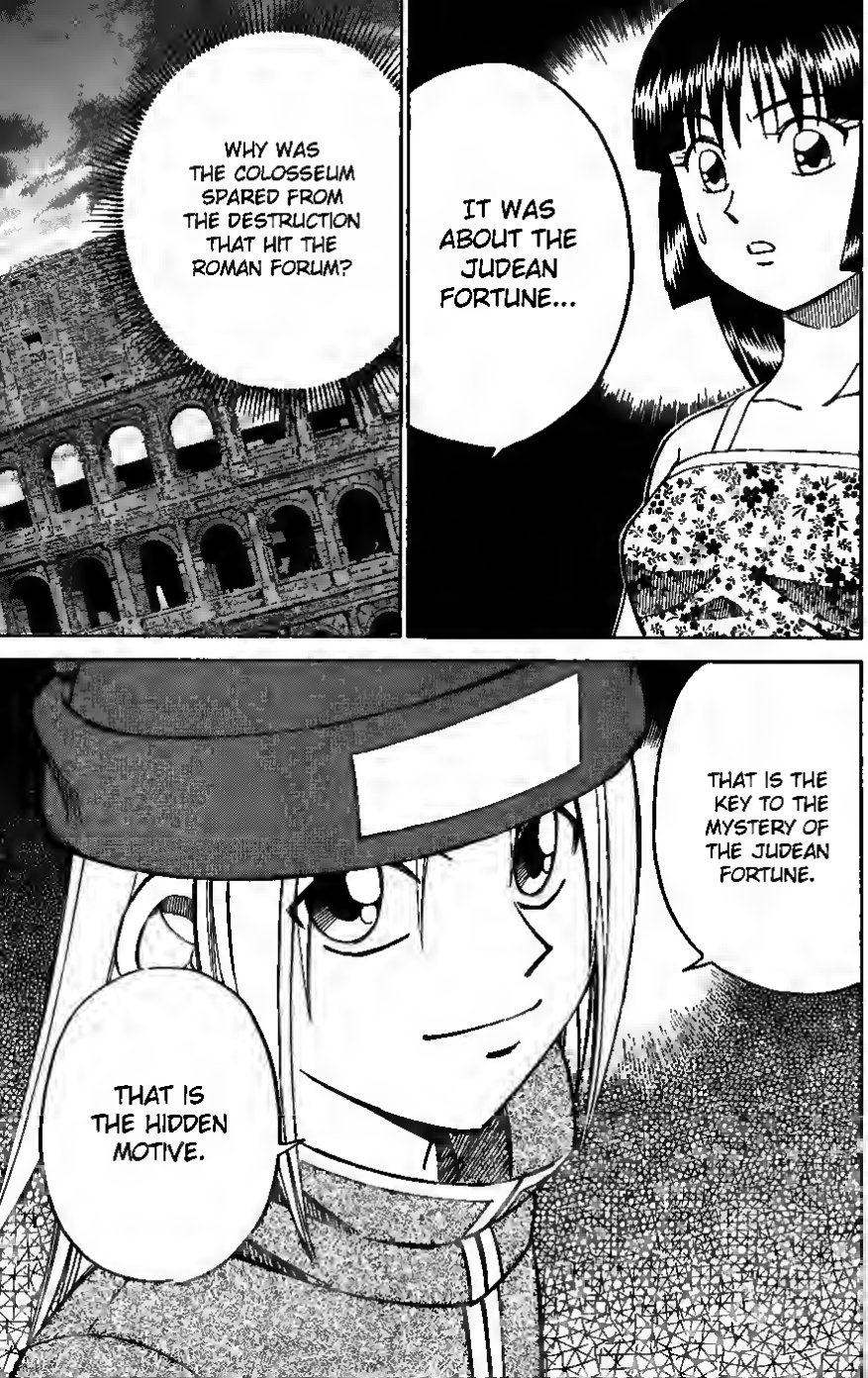
CARL REALIZED THAT BEFORE HE WAS MURDERED.

WHY IS THAT!?

AND HE HAD AN EPIPHANY!!

AFTER EXAMINING THE ROMAN FORUM, HE LOOKED AT THE COLOSSEUM FROM THE ARCH OF TITUS.

HE THOUGHT IT WAS STRANGE.


WHY WAS THE COLOSSEUM SPARED FROM THE DESTRUCTION THAT HIT THE ROMAN FORUM?
IT WAS ABOUT THE JUDEAN FORTUNE...
THAT IS THE KEY TO THE MYSTERY OF THE JUDEAN FORTUNE.
THAT IS THE HIDDEN MOTIVE.

HOW LONG AM I SUPPOSED TO WAIT?
THE RUINS INVESTIGATION COMMISSIONED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL WAS DONE PROPERLY!
WE ALREADY COMPLETED THE JOB.
PAY THE BILL.

THE JUDEAN FORTUNE HASN'T BEEN FOUND YET.
NO.
HMPH!
YOUR EMPLOYEE, CARL, SAID HE FOUND THE JUDEAN FORTUNE.
CARL, WHO HAD A CLUE TO THE TREASURE, WAS KILLED. WALTER, WHO STOLE THE DATA, WAS KILLED TOO!
TO MAKE THINGS WORSE, WE DON'T KNOW WHERE THE DATA IS... WHAT ARE WE SUPPOSED TO DO?
I'LL EXCHANGE THE TREASURE FOR YOUR PAY.

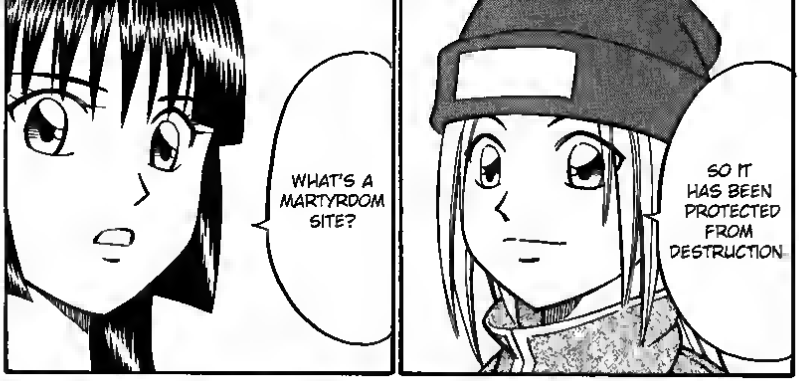
THE BABYLONIAN EXILE, THE JUDEAN WAR...

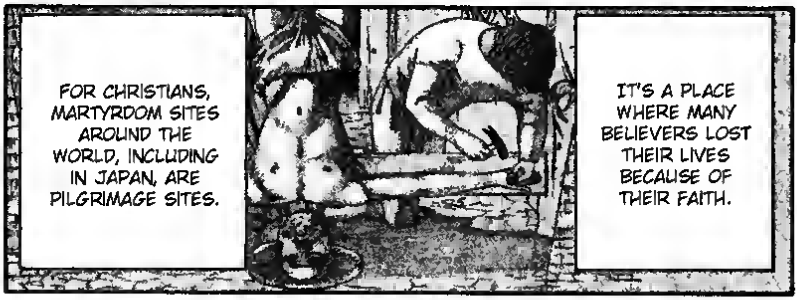
WE, THE JEWISH PEOPLE, LOST MANY TREASURES FROM THE TEMPLE.

AND WE WERE SCATTERED ALL OVER THE WORLD.

THE WESTERN WALL, WHICH IS WHAT REMAINS OF THE SECOND TEMPLE.
NOW, THE HOLY GROUND IS...
TO REBUILD OUR TEMPLE AND REGAIN OUR TREASURE TO BUILD THE COUNTRY OF GOD.
ISRAEL ONLY WANTS ONE THING.
I DON'T CARE HOW MUCH BLOOD HAS BEEN SPILLED...
WE CAN'T GIVE IN!

MARTYRDOM SITE?
RIGHT!
THE COLOSSEUM IS ALSO PROTECTED BY THE CHRISTIANS AS A "MARTYRDOM SITE".





IN THE 18TH CENTURY, POPE BENEDICT XIV DESIGNATED AND PROTECTED THE COLOSSEUM AS MARTYRDOM SITE.

THE REASON WAS THAT MANY CHRISTIANS WERE PERSECUTED AND KILLED IN THE ARENA FOR ENTERTAINMENT.

IS A MYSTERIOUS PUZZLE.

BUT THIS REASON FOR PROTECTION...

ACTUALLY, THE STORY THAT MANY CHRISTIANS WERE KILLED IN THE COLOSSEUM...

HAS NO BASIS!!

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THE STORY PASSED DOWN IS THAT NERO PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS IN THE COLOSSEUM.

THERE IS NO HISTORICAL RECORD TO SUPPORT THE REPORT THAT MANY WERE KILLED.

BUT THE COLOSSEUM HADN'T BEEN BUILT YET.

BUT, SINCE IT'S ANCIENT HISTORY, IT'S HARD TO SEPARATE FACT FROM FICTION, RIGHT?

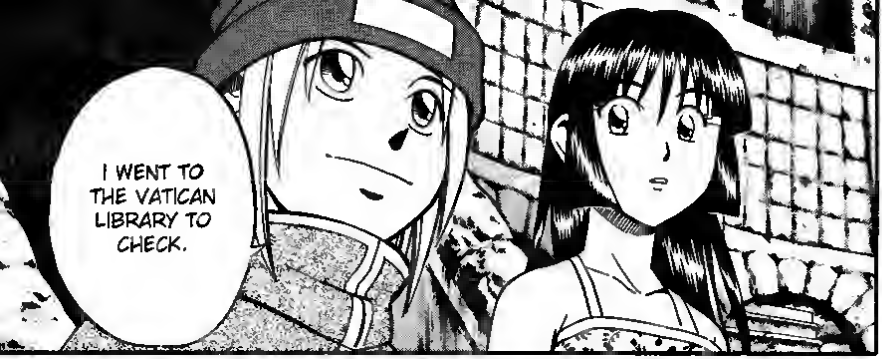
NOT REALLY.

WEIRD, RIGHT?

POPE BENEDICT XIV...

WAS A PERSON WHO HAD A STRONG INTEREST IN SCIENCE AND HISTORY.

HE STUDIED HISTORY AND BUILT AN ACADEMY IN ROME.
AT THE TIME, HE DECLARED THAT THE SUPERSTITION THAT VAMPIRES EXISTED IN EUROPE WAS UNSCIENTIFIC.
HOW CAN SOMEONE LIKE THAT...
MAKE THE COLOSSEUM A MARTYRDOM SITE BECAUSE OF A BASELESS STORY?
THERE IS PROBABLY ANOTHER REASON FOR THE PRESERVATION OF THE COLOSSEUM!
ANOTHER REASON!?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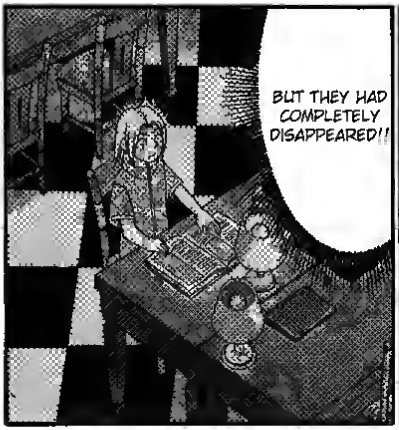
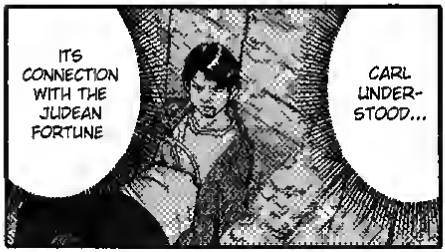
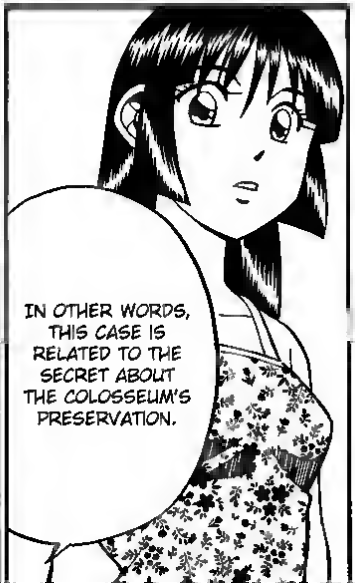

BUT THEY HAD COMPLETELY DISAPPEARED!!

POPE BENEDICT XIV STUDIED HISTORY.
SO HIS RESEARCH NOTES SHOULD BE STORED IN THERE.


ITS CONNECTION WITH THE JUDEAN FORTUNE
CARL UNDER-STOOD...

AND THE VATICAN...


IN OTHER WORDS, THIS CASE IS RELATED TO THE SECRET ABOUT THE COLOSSEUM'S PRESERVATION.

IS HIDING THE TRUTH!!

VATICAN CITY

ST. PETER'S BASILICA

TORMENTED BY THE TEMPTATIONS OF SATAN.

WE ARE ALWAYS...

WHAT'S RIGHT AND WRONG...

EVERYTHING IS WRITTEN IN THE BIBLE.

I MET HIM IN THE VATICAN LIBRARY.

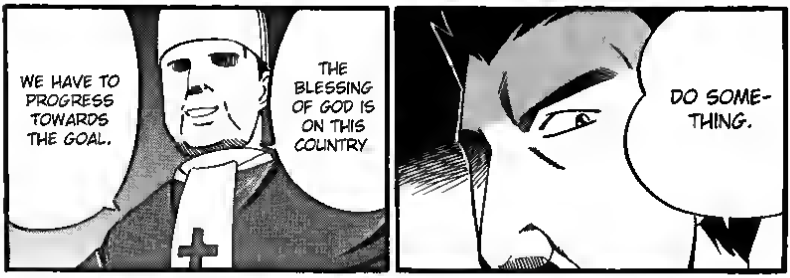
CARLO, WHAT'S GOING ON WITH THE BOY NAMED SHINRA?

IT SEEMS THAT HE WAS LOOKING FOR BENEDICT XIV'S DOCUMENTS.

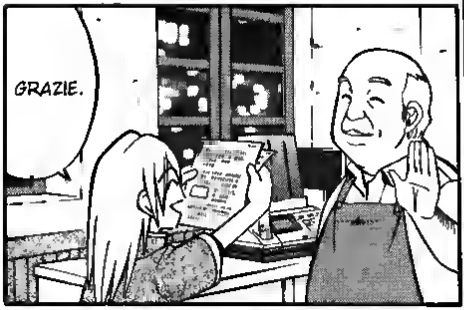
HE GOT DANGEROUSLY CLOSE TO THE TRUTH IN AN INSTANT.

WHAT A TERRIFYING BOY!!
C.M.B.... THE THREE MAGI'S INITIALS ON THE RINGS...
WHETHER IT'S REASONING FROM THEORY...
OR INTUITION ...
THE CONTENTS OF THE DOCUMENTS IN THE LIBRARY HAVE BEEN HIDDEN. NO ONE WILL KNOW.
NO ...
THE SON OF GOD BLESSED BY THE THREE MAGI...
IS JESUS CHRIST ALONE.

HE DEFINITELY KNOWS THAT WE KNOW WHERE THE JUDEAN FORTUNE IS HIDDEN.
THAT KID CONFIRMED THAT THE "DOCUMENTS HAD BEEN HIDDEN."

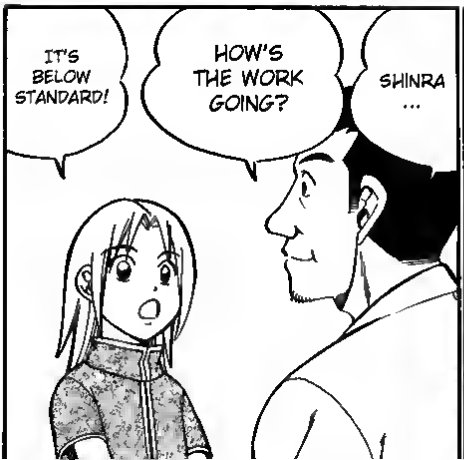

WE HAVE TO PROGRESS TOWARDS THE GOAL.
THE BLESSING OF GOD IS ON THIS COUNTRY
DO SOME-THING.

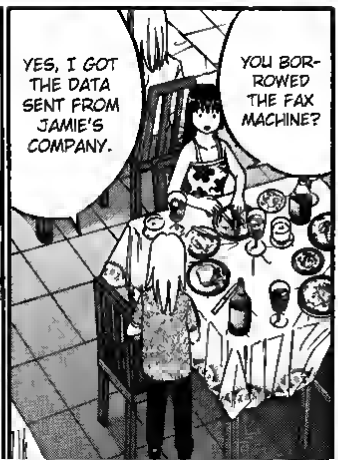
GO PUBLIC WITH THIS.
WE ABSO-LUTELY CANNOT ...


GRAZIE.

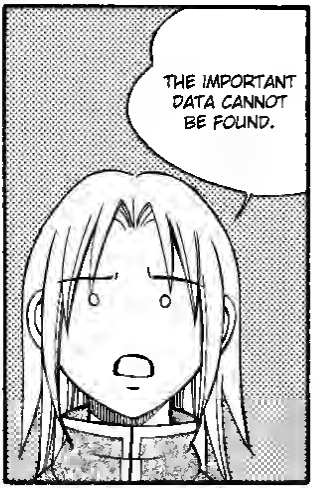
BUON GIORNO

THANK GOODNESS WE CAME.
DELICIOUS!


IT'S BELOW STANDARD!
HOW'S THE WORK GOING?
SHINRA ...


YES, I GOT THE DATA SENT FROM JAMIE'S COMPANY.
YOU BORROWED THE FAX MACHINE?

THERE MUST BE A PHOTO OF THE JUDEAN FORTUNE IN THERE.
BUT THE PERSON WITH THE DATA, WALTER, WAS SHOT BY THE POLICE.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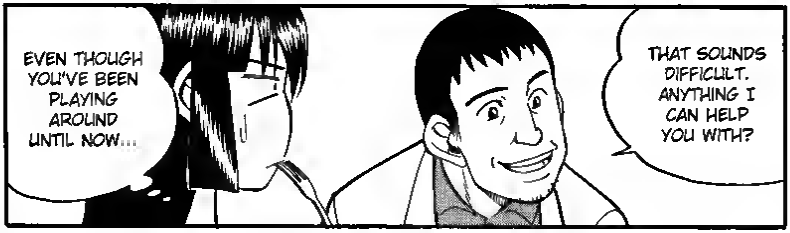
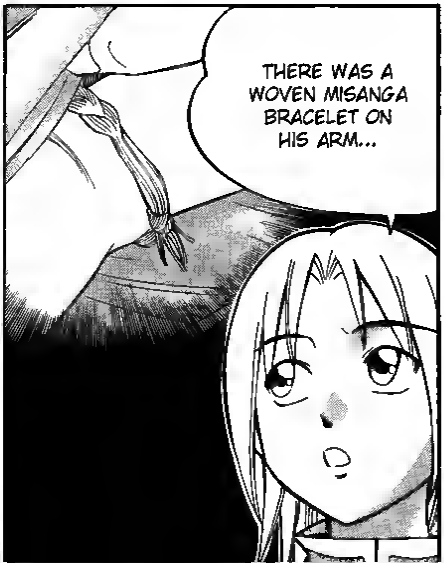
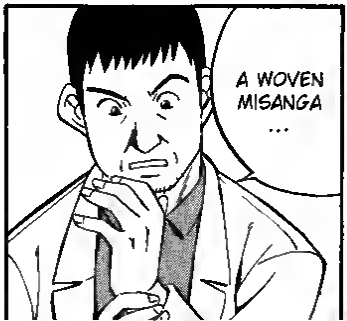
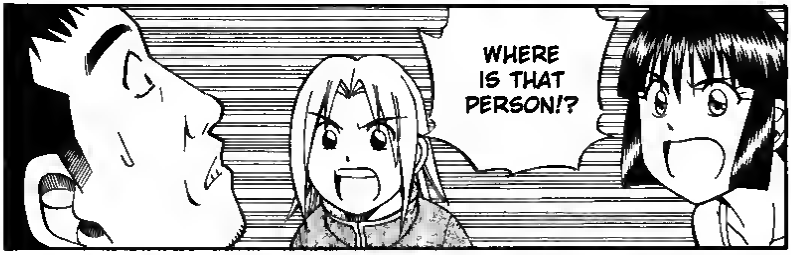

EVEN THOUGH YOU'VE BEEN PLAYING AROUND UNTIL NOW...
THAT SOUNDS DIFFICULT. ANYTHING I CAN HELP YOU WITH?


THERE WAS A WOVEN MISANGA BRACELET ON HIS ARM...


A WOVEN MISANGA ...

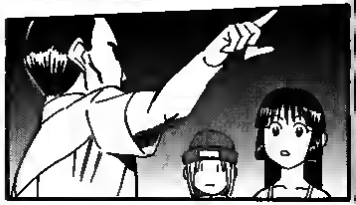
DAD! WHERE IS THAT FROM?
LIKE THIS?
UM ...
NAKATA IS THE BEST!
WE WERE LOOKING AROUND WHEN A STRANGE FOREIGNER STARTED TALKING TO US...
OF COURSE, HE STARTED TYING THE MISANGA ONTO MY ARM...
HEY!



IT WAS AT THE SPANISH STEPS.

ROME

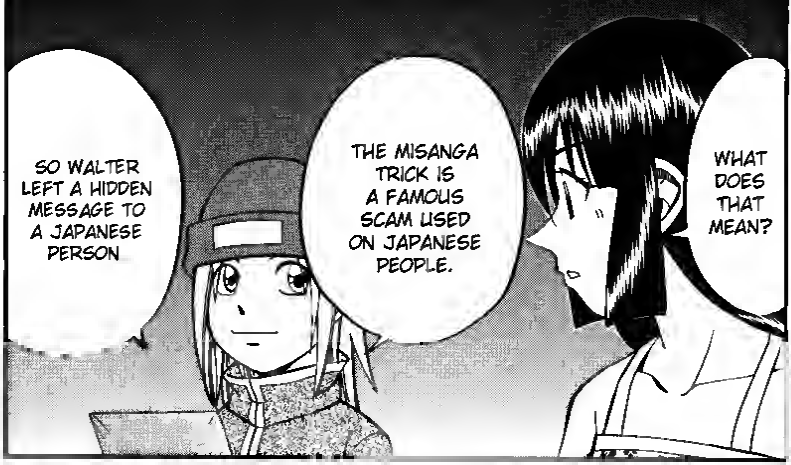
SPANISH STEPS

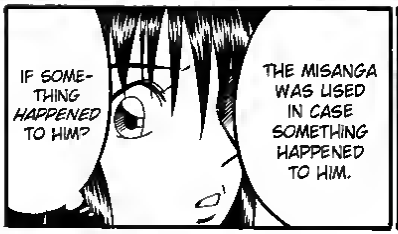


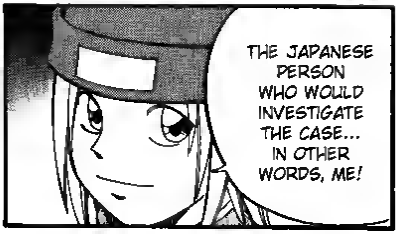
SO, IT'S A YOUNG BOY.

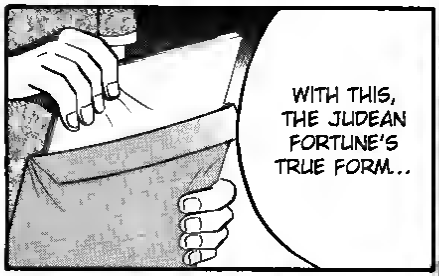
HE SAID TO GIVE THIS TO A JAPANESE PERSON WHO COMES TO ME.

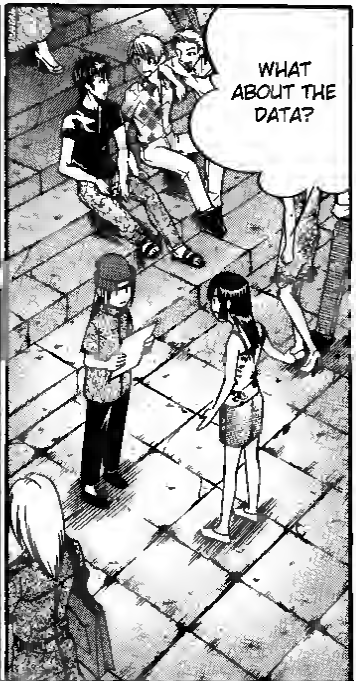
OH ...

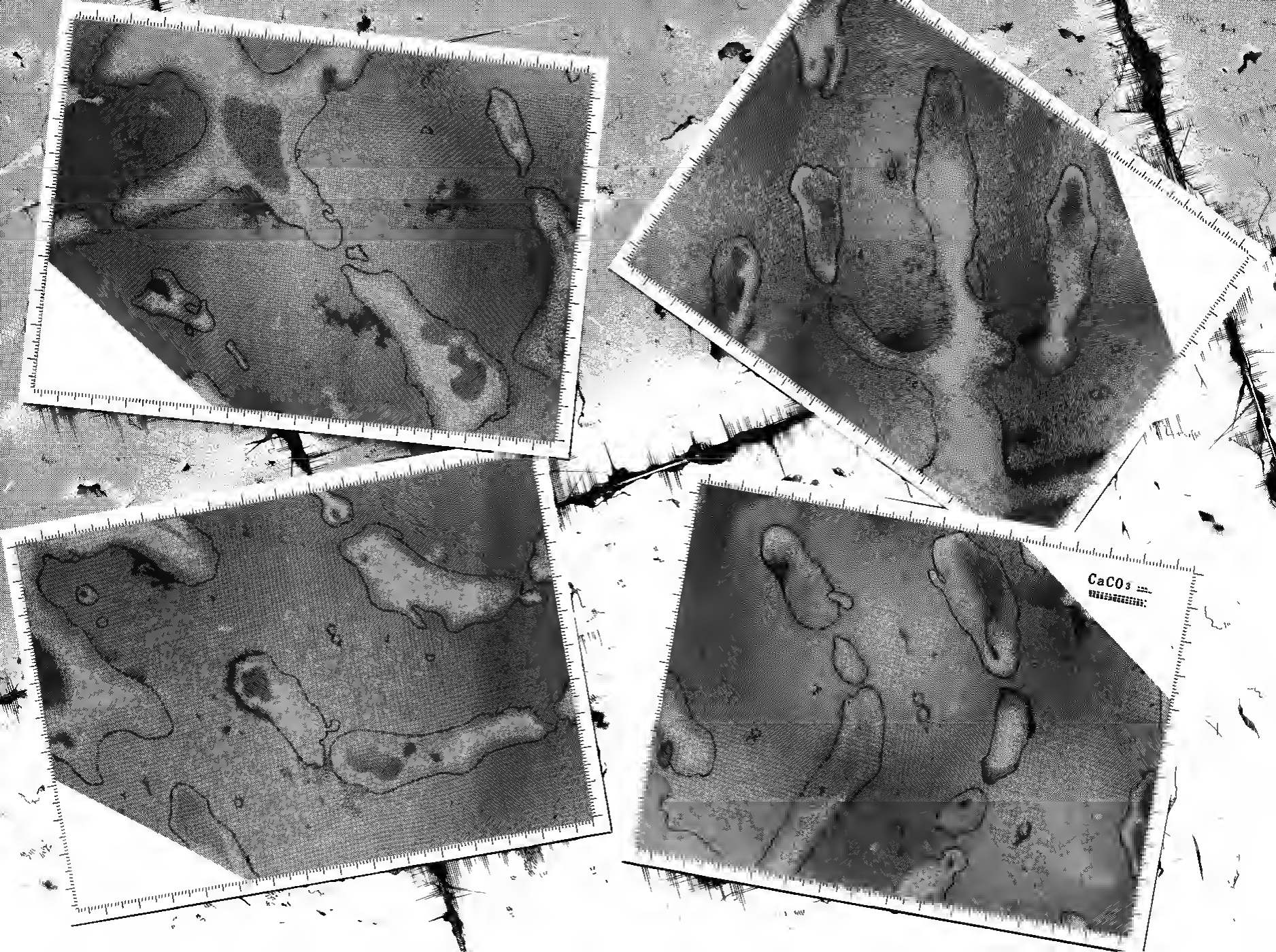

SO WALTER LEFT A HIDDEN MESSAGE TO A JAPANESE PERSON
THE MISANGA TRICK IS A FAMOUS SCAM USED ON JAPANESE PEOPLE.
WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?


IF SOME-THING HAPPENED TO HIM?
THE MISANGA WAS USED IN CASE SOMETHING HAPPENED TO HIM.


THE JAPANESE PERSON WHO WOULD INVESTIGATE THE CASE... IN OTHER WORDS, ME!


WITH THIS, THE JUDEAN FORTUNE'S TRUE FORM...


WHAT ABOUT THE DATA?


$CaCO_3$

なにこれ？

三次元地中レーダーの解析図だね

地中に電磁波を当てて

埋まってる物を写し出すんだ

これが「ユダヤの財宝」？

なにがなんだか……

成分が出てる

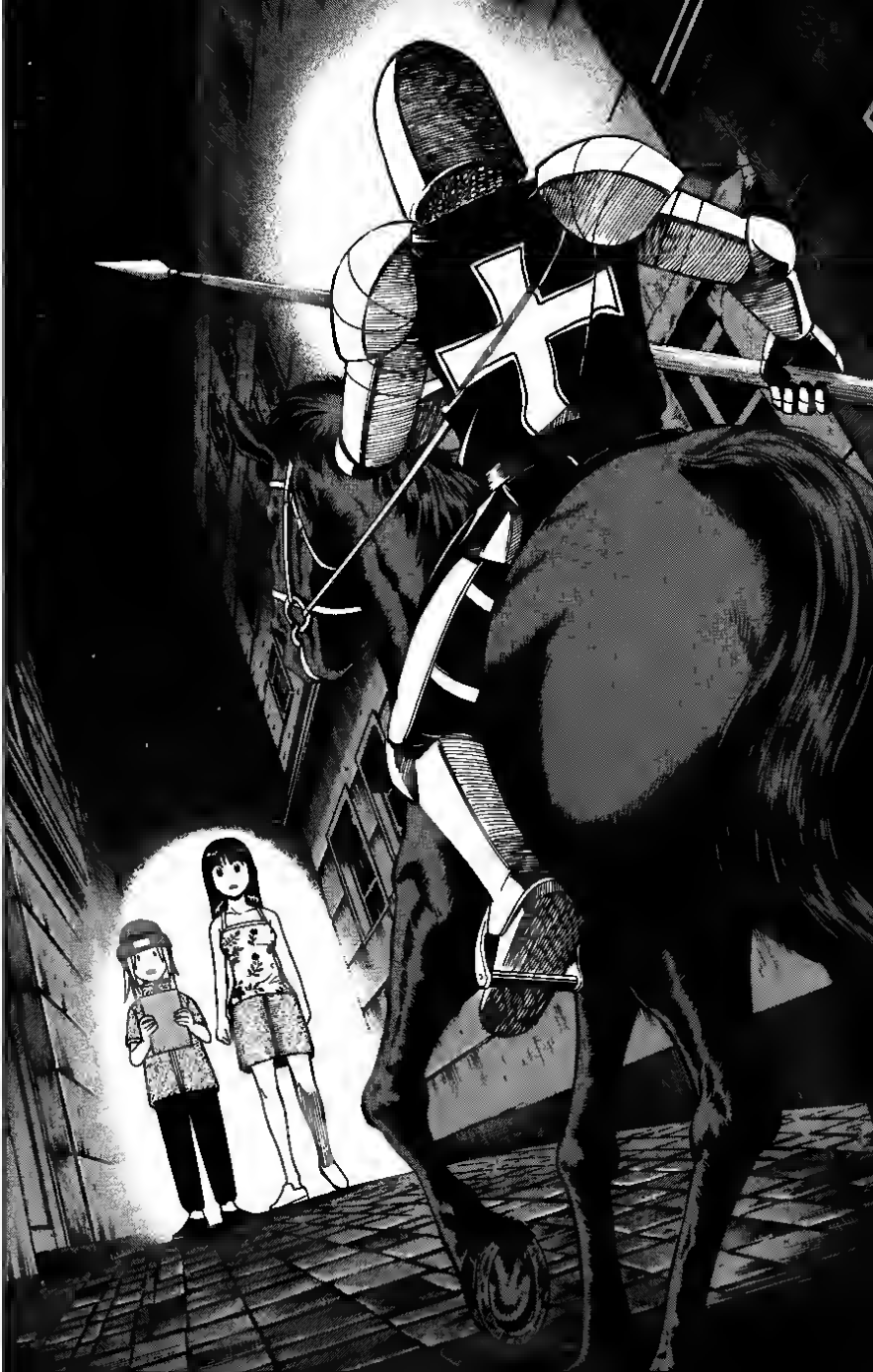
CaCO3

「CaCO3」

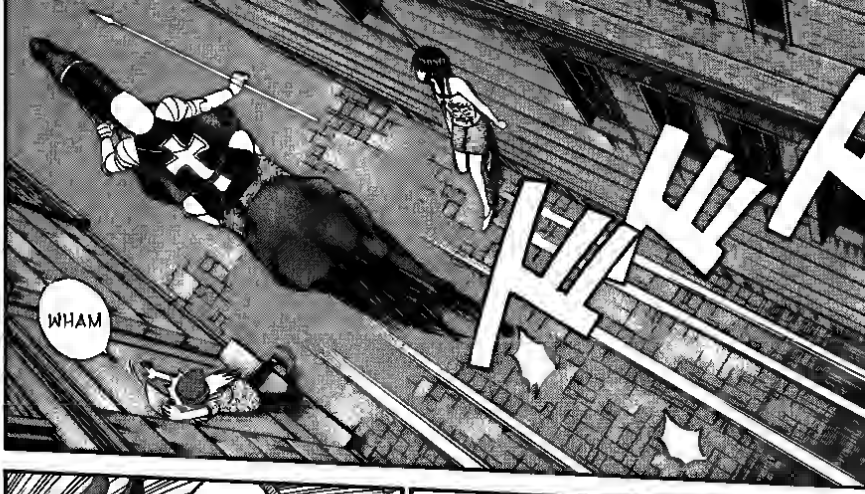
なにそれ？

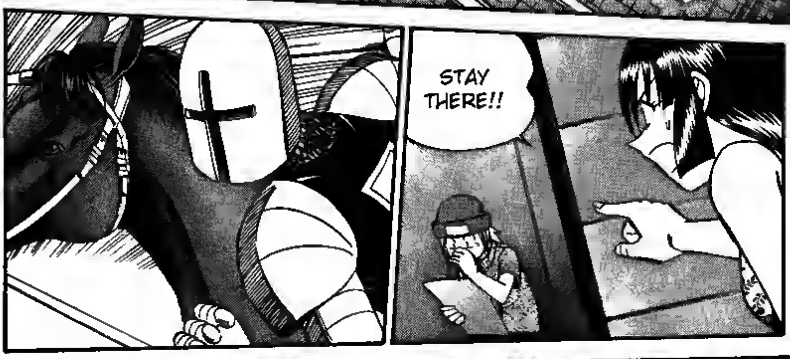
石灰岩

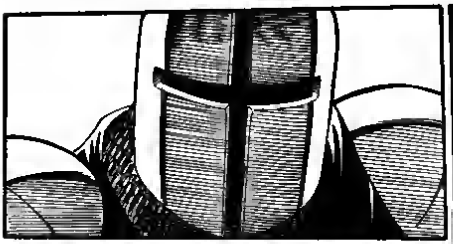
簡単に言うと「石」だよ
それが「ユダヤの財宝」!?
黄金とか宝石じゃないの!?
どういうこと!?
ひょっとしてカールって人嘘ついたんじゃない?
「ユダヤの財宝」が見つかったってデタラメ言ってハンナさんからお金を騙し取ろうと……



IT'S HIM AGAIN!!

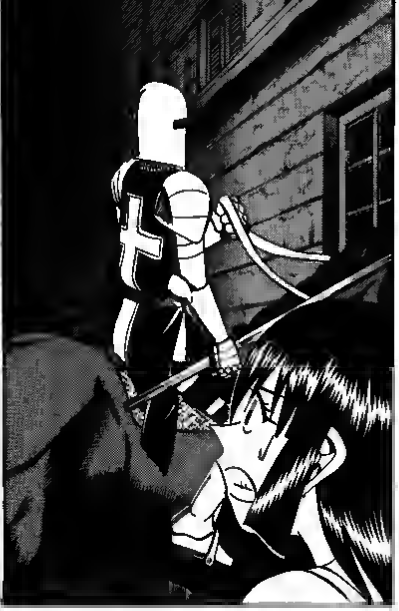

WHAM

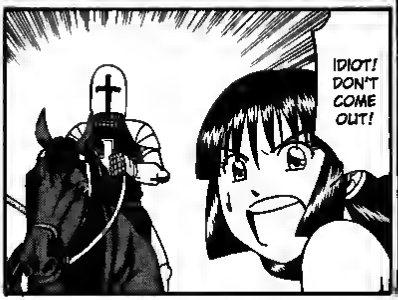

STAY THERE!!



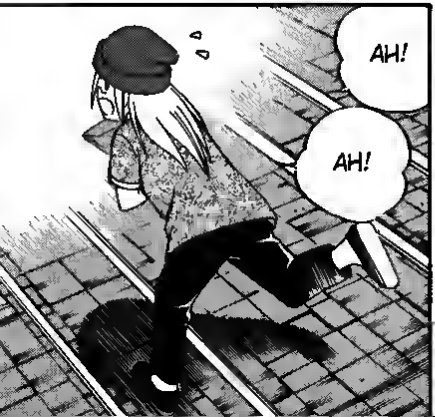
IF I SCARE THE HORSE ...!!

NANASE -SAN!!




IDIOT! DON'T COME OUT!

RUN ...


AH!
AH!

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AH!

SHINRA, ARE YOU OKAY!?

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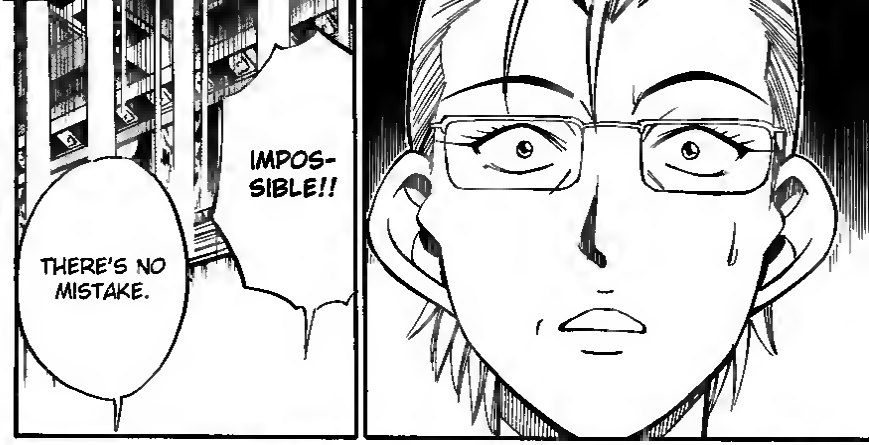
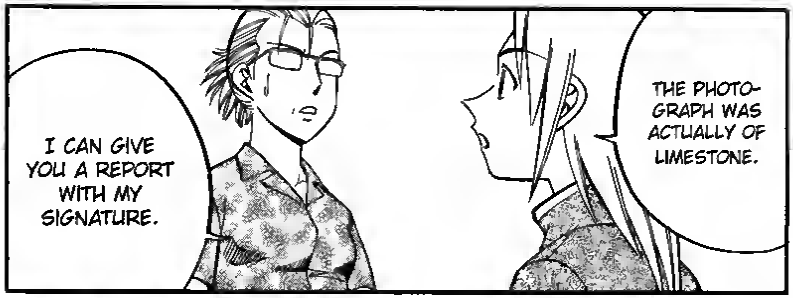
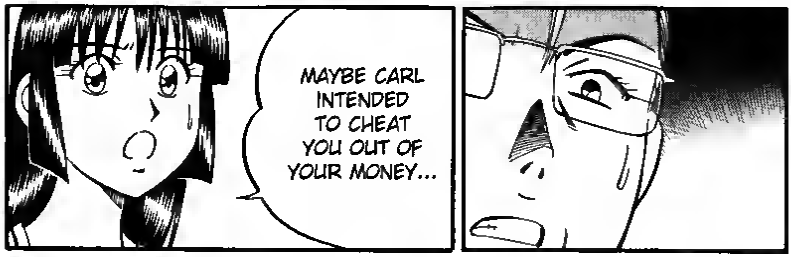
THE DATA ...

WHAT DO YOU MEAN!?
VATICAN CITY
ST. PETER'S BASILICA
THE DATA THAT TOOK SO LONG TO FIND WAS STOLEN!!
THIS IS WHY CHILDREN SHOULDN'T BE ALLOWED TO DO WHAT THEY WANT...!!

WE CAN ONLY WAIT FOR THE POLICE INVESTIGATION NOW.
THESE ARE THE RESULTS OF WHAT THEY COULD DO.
IT'S HARSH TO BLAME THEM.
THEY'RE JUST ROCKS!
AH ... BUT ...
WE SAW THE PHOTOGRAPHS FROM THE DATA.

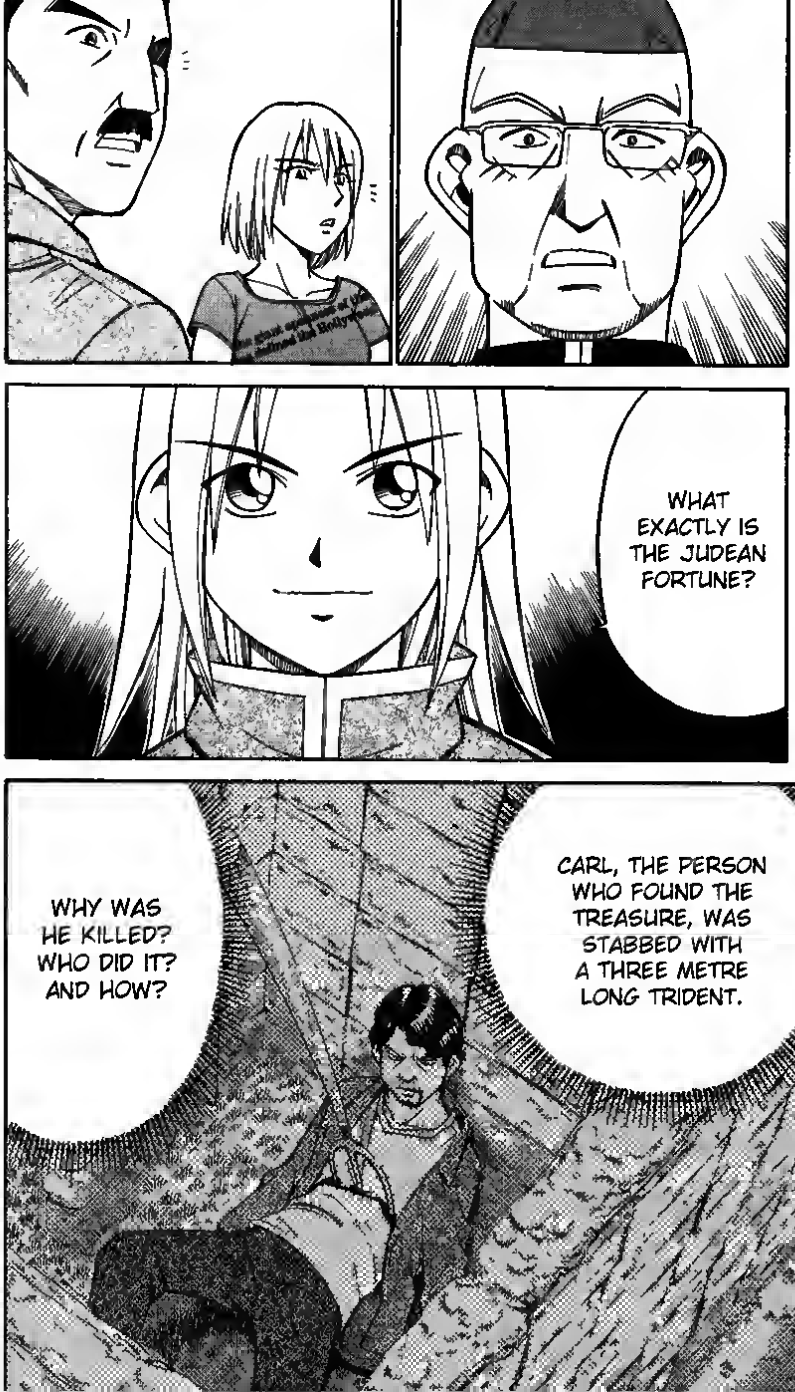

IMPOS-SIBLE!!
THERE'S NO MISTAKE.


THE PHOTO-GRAPH WAS ACTUALLY OF LIMESTONE.
I CAN GIVE YOU A REPORT WITH MY SIGNATURE.


MAYBE CARL INTENDED TO CHEAT YOU OUT OF YOUR MONEY...

SEND THE MONEY BY BANK DEPOSIT TRANSFER.
SO WE'RE DONE.

CLICK
AND WE'LL TAKE CARE OF IT.
CONTACT MY COUNTRY ...
YOUR WORK HERE IS DONE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP.
WELL ...
MY INVES-TIGATION ISN'T OVER.
BISHOP SARRE...

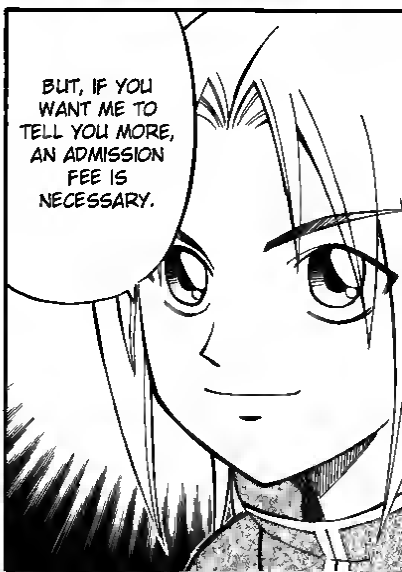

WHAT EXACTLY IS THE JUDEAN FORTUNE?
CARL, THE PERSON WHO FOUND THE TREASURE, WAS STABBED WITH A THREE METRE LONG TRIDENT.
WHY WAS HE KILLED? WHO DID IT? AND HOW?

WHO IN THE WORLD IS HE?
THE MYSTERIOUS KNIGHT WHO STOLE THE DATA.
THAT IS WHERE HE REALIZED SOMETHING ABOUT THE JUDEAN FORTUNE.
CARL STOOD BY THE ARCH OF TITUS.
THAT IS THE ORIGIN OF THE MYSTERY. THAT IS THE CRUX OF THESE EVENTS.
THE JUDEAN WAR DEPICTED ON THE ARCH...

YES.
YOU UNDER-STAND THE WHOLE MYSTERY?

ADMIS-SION FEE?

HE WANTS YOU TO PAY HIM.


BUT, IF YOU WANT ME TO TELL YOU MORE, AN ADMISSION FEE IS NECESSARY.

NO WAY! SOMETHING FROM THE ART GALLERY?
I DON'T WANT MONEY.
I WANT SOMETHING I SAW IN THE VATICAN!
IT'S NOT MY DECISION...
UH... I DON'T KNOW WHETHER I CAN GIVE ANYTHING TO YOU.
I CAN GIVE MY REPORT HERE.
OR I CAN SUBMIT IT TO THE BRITISH MUSEUM.
I CAN'T GIVE ANY GUARANTEES AFTER THAT.
WHEW
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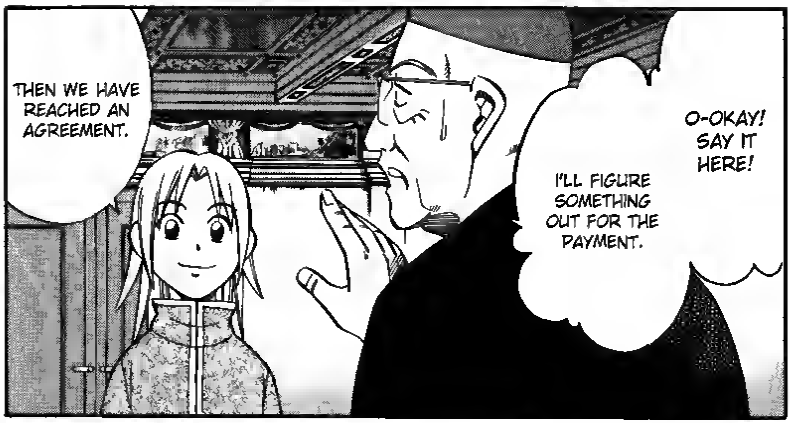

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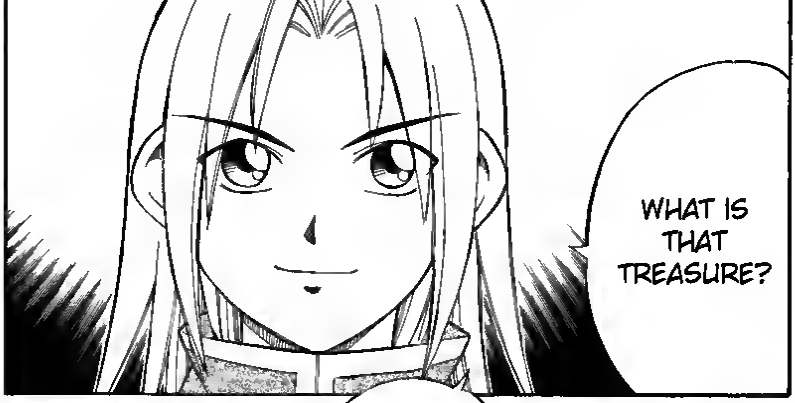
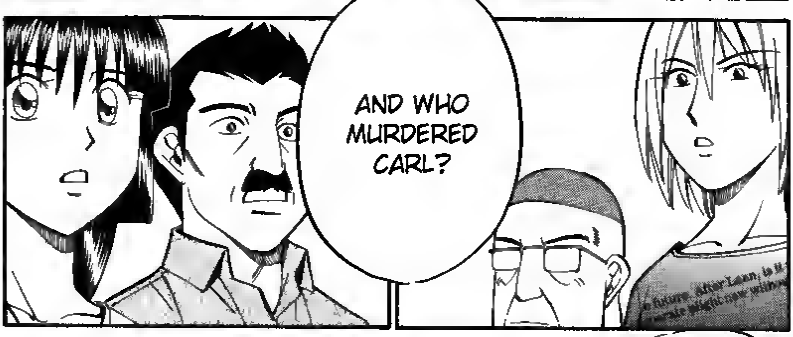
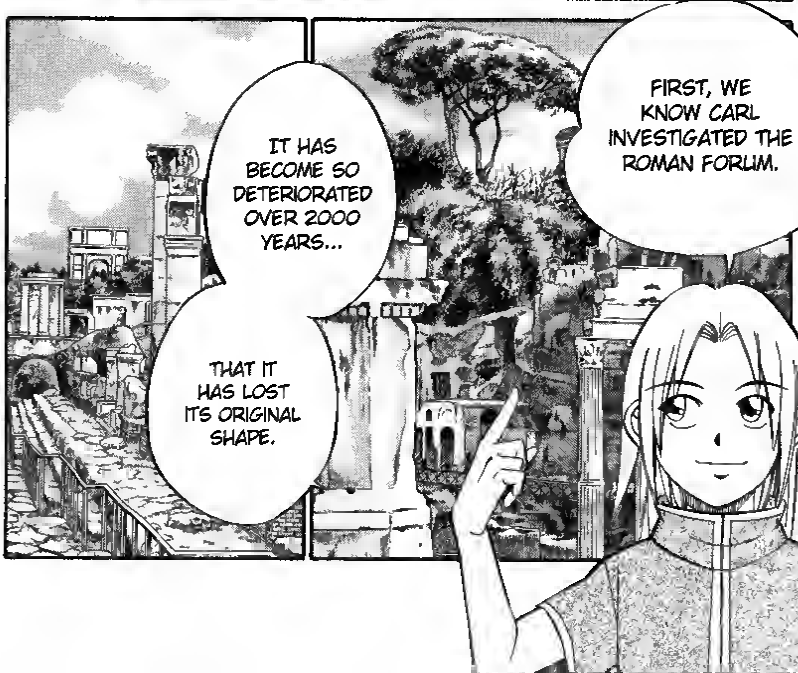
Vatican City
St. Peter's Basilica
FIRST...
LET'S PUT THE EVENTS IN ORDER.

HE WAS FOUND DEAD IN THE COLOSSEUM.
THE GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL HIRED CARL FROM A PRIVATE HISTORICAL SITE INVESTI-GATION COMPANY.
HOW WAS SUCH A LONG WEAPON USED IN THAT CONFINED SPACE?
HIS CORPSE WAS FOUND PIERCED BY A TRIDENT THREE METRES LONG IN A ROOM THAT'S ONLY TWO METRES WIDE...
I FOUND THE JUDEAN FORTUNE!!
AND, BEFORE HE WAS MURDERED, HE SAID...


WHAT IS THAT TREASURE?


AND WHO MURDERED CARL?


FIRST, WE KNOW CARL INVESTIGATED THE ROMAN FORUM.
IT HAS BECOME SO DETERIORATED OVER 2000 YEARS...
THAT IT HAS LOST ITS ORIGINAL SHAPE.

WHY IS THE COLOSSEUM STILL INTACT?
IT'S JUST AS OLD AS THE ROMAN FORUM.
THEN, WHEN CARL LOOKED AT THE COLOSSEUM FROM THE ARCH OF TITUS, HE WONDERED...
WHY ARE THEY SO DIFFERENT?
IN THE 18TH CENTURY, POPE BENEDICT XIV DECLARED THE COLOSSEUM A HALLOWED GROUND.
WITH A LITTLE INVESTIGATION, WE FIGURED OUT THAT THE REASON IS SIMPLE.

THE COLOS-SEUM IS SACRED.

BECAUSE HUNDREDS OF CHRISTIANS MET THEIR END THERE...

THERE IS NO PROOF THAT CHRISTIANS WERE KILLED AND TORTURED FOR ENTERTAINMENT IN THE COLOSSEUM!

BUT THAT'S VERY STRANGE.

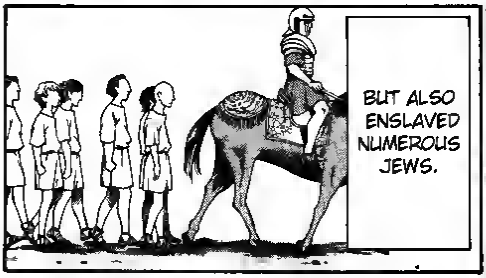
WOULD HE MAKE THE COLOSSEUM HALLOWED GROUND BECAUSE OF SUCH A DUBIOUS CLAIM?

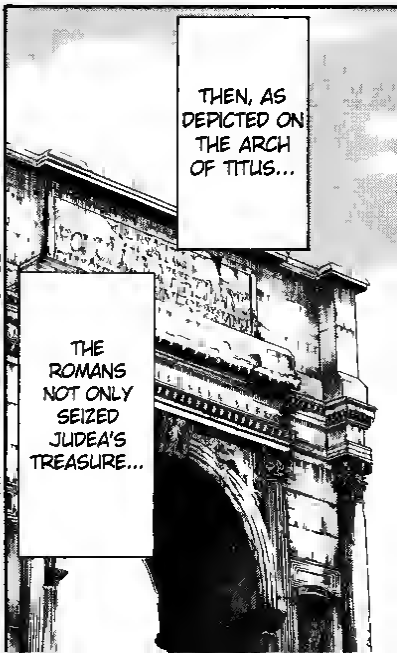
POPE BENEDICT XIV WAS KNOWN TO BE AN EXPERT IN SCIENCE AND HISTORY.

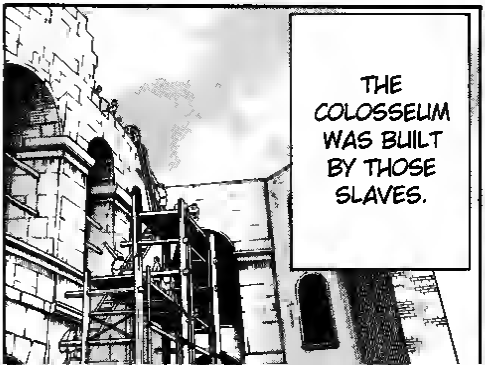
ANOTHER REASON?
OR MIGHT THERE BE...
AND THEN ...
CARL SUSPECTED AS MUCH.
HE REALIZED IT!

TO ERECT SUCH A LARGE BUILDING, WORKERS HAD TO DIG A HOLE SEVEN METRES DEEP TO REACH THE BEDROCK.
BEFORE THE COLOSSEUM WAS BUILT, THIS LAND HOUSED A RESERVOIR, SO THE GROUND WAS WET AND MUDDY.

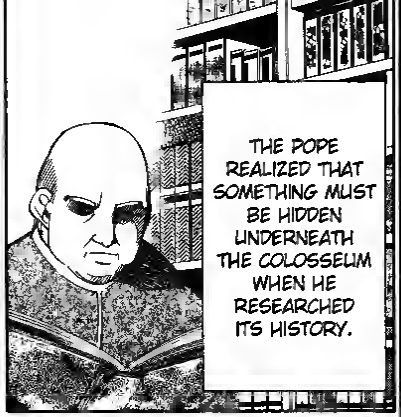
SO, 2000 YEARS AGO...
THERE WAS A GIANT HOLE UNDER THE COLOSSEUM!


BUT ALSO ENSLAVED NUMEROUS JEWS.

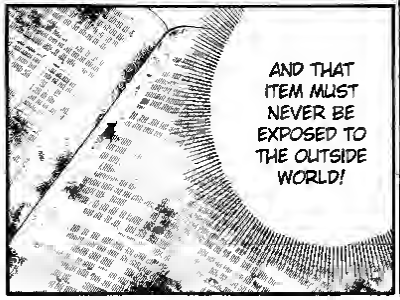

THEN, AS DEPICTED ON THE ARCH OF TITUS...
THE ROMANS NOT ONLY SEIZED JUDEA'S TREASURE...

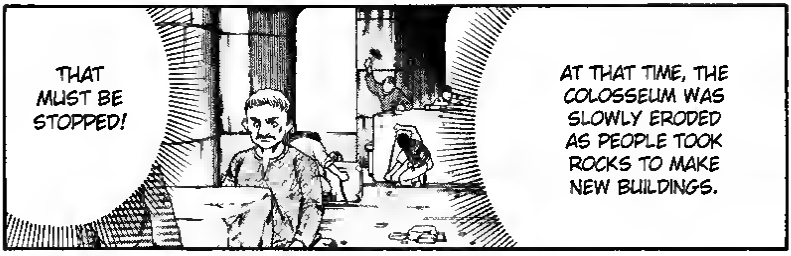

THE COLOSSEUM WAS BUILT BY THOSE SLAVES.

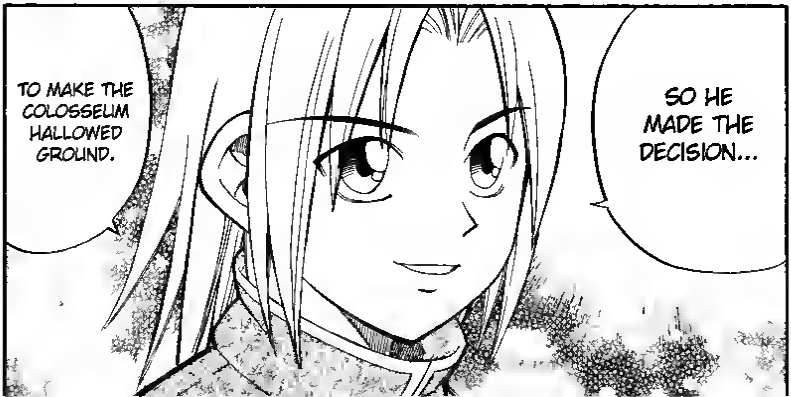
THE TIME WHEN THE ROMANS PILLAGED JERUSALEM'S TEMPLE...
AND THE TIME WHEN A GIANT HOLE WAS UNDERNEATH THE COLOSSEUM...
INTERSECT.
SO CARL CAME UP WITH A THEORY.
MOST LIKELY...
SOMETHING IS BURIED UNDERNEATH THE COLOSSEUM!!

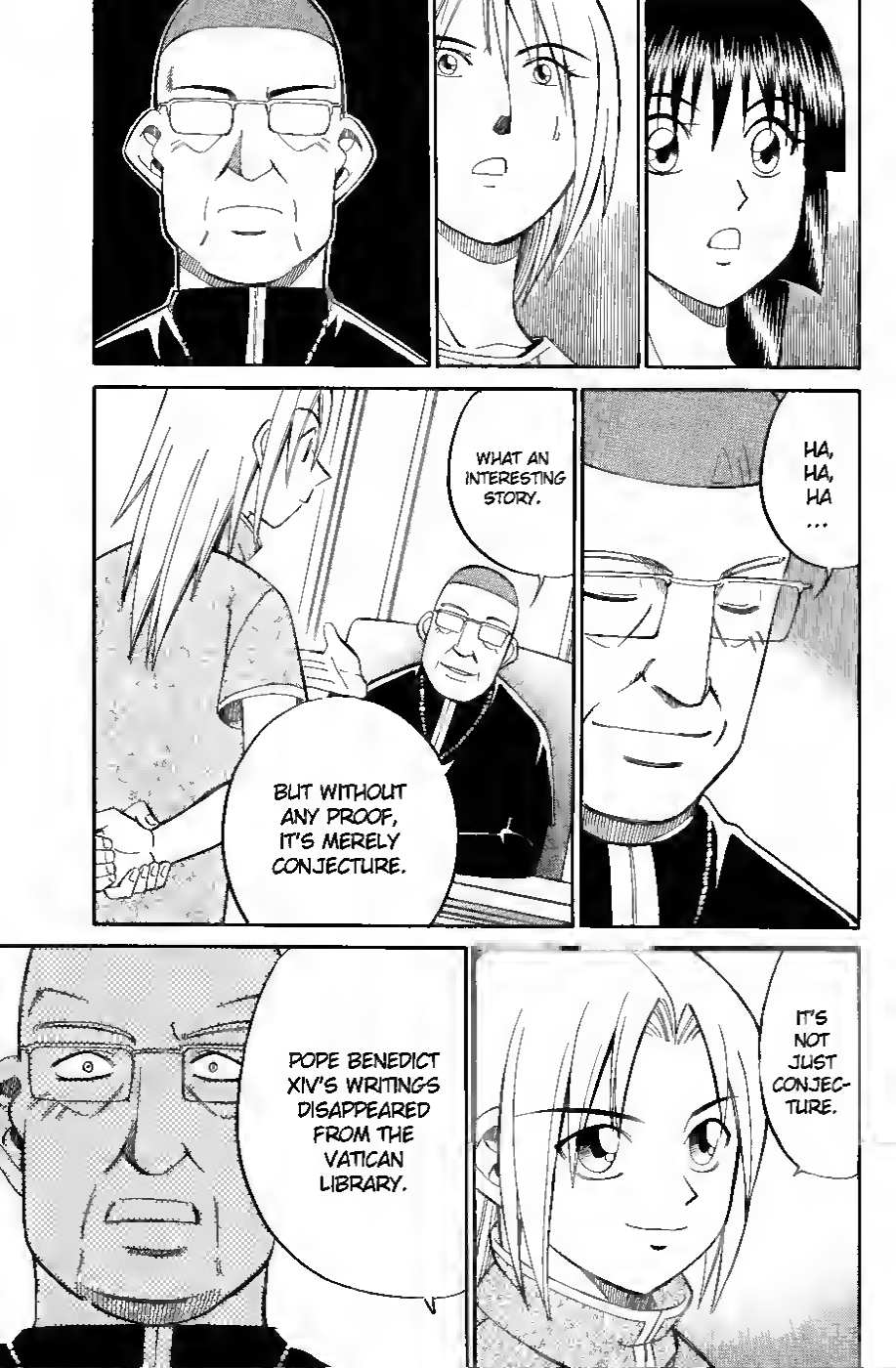

THE POPE REALIZED THAT SOMETHING MUST BE HIDDEN UNDERNEATH THE COLOSSEUM WHEN HE RESEARCHED IT'S HISTORY.

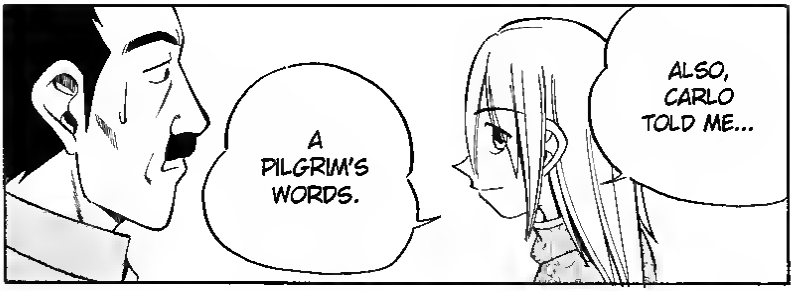
SO POPE BENEDICT XIV'S MOTIVE BECOMES CLEAR.

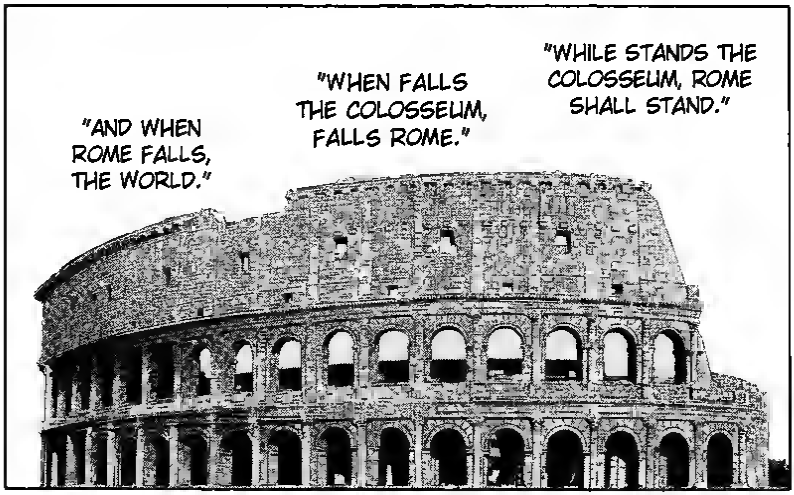

AND THAT ITEM MUST NEVER BE EXPOSED TO THE OUTSIDE WORLD!

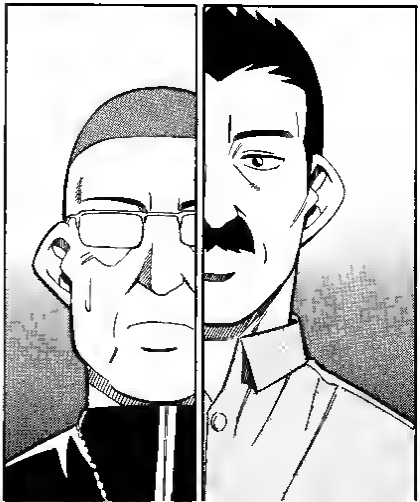

THAT MUST BE STOPPED!
AT THAT TIME, THE COLOSSEUM WAS SLOWLY ERODED AS PEOPLE TOOK ROCKS TO MAKE NEW BUILDINGS.


TO MAKE THE COLOSSEUM HALLOWED GROUND.
SO HE MADE THE DECISION...


WHAT AN INTERESTING STORY.
HA, HA, HA ...
BUT WITHOUT ANY PROOF, IT'S MERELY CONJECTURE.
POPE BENEDICT XIV'S WRITINGS DISAPPEARED FROM THE VATICAN LIBRARY.
IT'S NOT JUST CONJECTURE.


A PILGRIM'S WORDS.
ALSO, CARLO TOLD ME...


"AND WHEN ROME FALLS, THE WORLD."
"WHEN FALLS THE COLOSSEUM, FALLS ROME."
"WHILE STANDS THE COLOSSEUM, ROME SHALL STAND."



ISN'T THAT REFERRING TO SOMETHING?

UNDERNEATH THE COLOSSEUM...

LIES JUDEA'S TREASURE, WHICH HAS BEEN HIDDEN FROM THE ENTIRE WORLD.

BUT YOU SAW IT YOURSELF, RIGHT?

CARL'S DATA...

NO, IT WAS CLEARLY SHOWN.

SHOWED NOTHING BUT ROCKS!

YOU DIDN'T SEE ANY TREASURE.

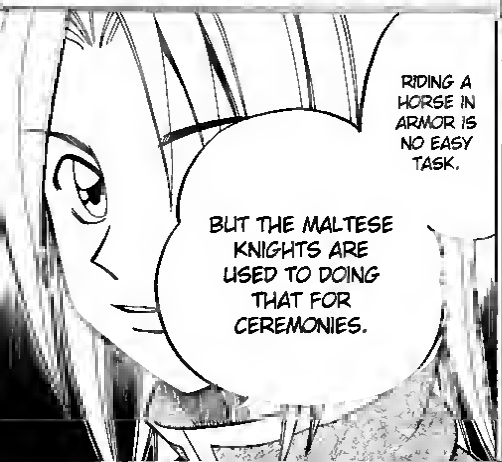
CARLO.
YOU ARE THE MYSTERIOUS KNIGHT.
PLEASE RETURN THE DATA YOU STOLE.

THE VATICAN DIDN'T WANT ME TO CONTINUE THE INVESTIGATION.

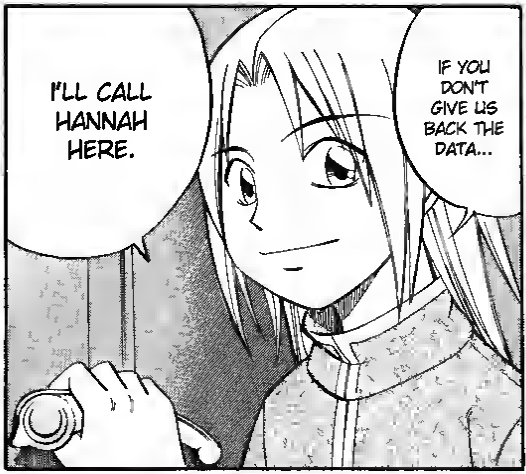
SO YOU TRIED TO SCARE US OFF BY ATTACKING NANASE-SAN.

H-HEY ...
YOU CAN'T ACCUSE ME WITHOUT ANY PROOF!

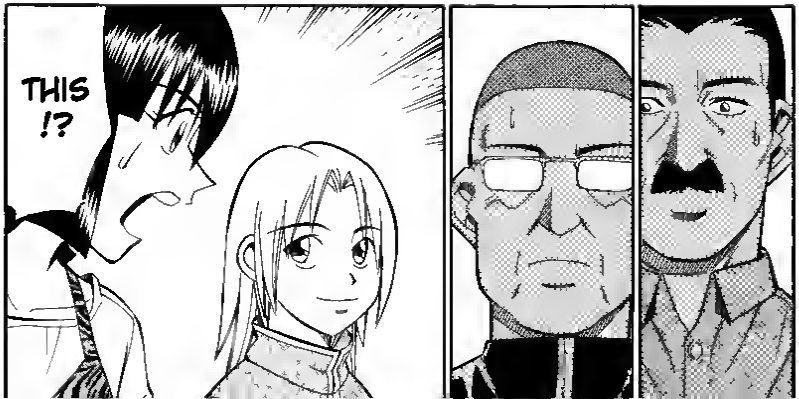
SINCE IT WAS ONLY MEANT AS A THREAT, YOU USED A RUBBER AXE.
THAT IS WHY THE WALLS WEREN'T DAMAGED AT ALL.


RIDING A HORSE IN ARMOR IS NO EASY TASK.
BUT THE MALTESE KNIGHTS ARE USED TO DOING THAT FOR CEREMONIES.

THE DATA WAS STOLEN ONLY BECAUSE SOMEONE KEPT AN EYE ON MY MOVEMENTS.
THE ONLY PERSON ABLE TO OPERATE IN THIS SITUATION IS SOMEONE LOCAL.


I'LL CALL HANNAH HERE.
IF YOU DON'T GIVE US BACK THE DATA...

IT'S THE STOLEN DATA!
AH!
THEY'RE JUST ROCKS, RIGHT?
IF WE ARRANGE THE PICTURES IN A SIMILAR WAY...
PUT THAT HERE, AND THEN ...
GIVE ME THAT.


THIS !?

THE MENORAH!!

THE ITEM CARVED ON THE ARCH OF TITUS...

IT'S ISRAEL'S SYMBOL.

CORRECT. THE MENORAH THAT WAS FORMERLY IN THE TEMPLE OF JERUSALEM.

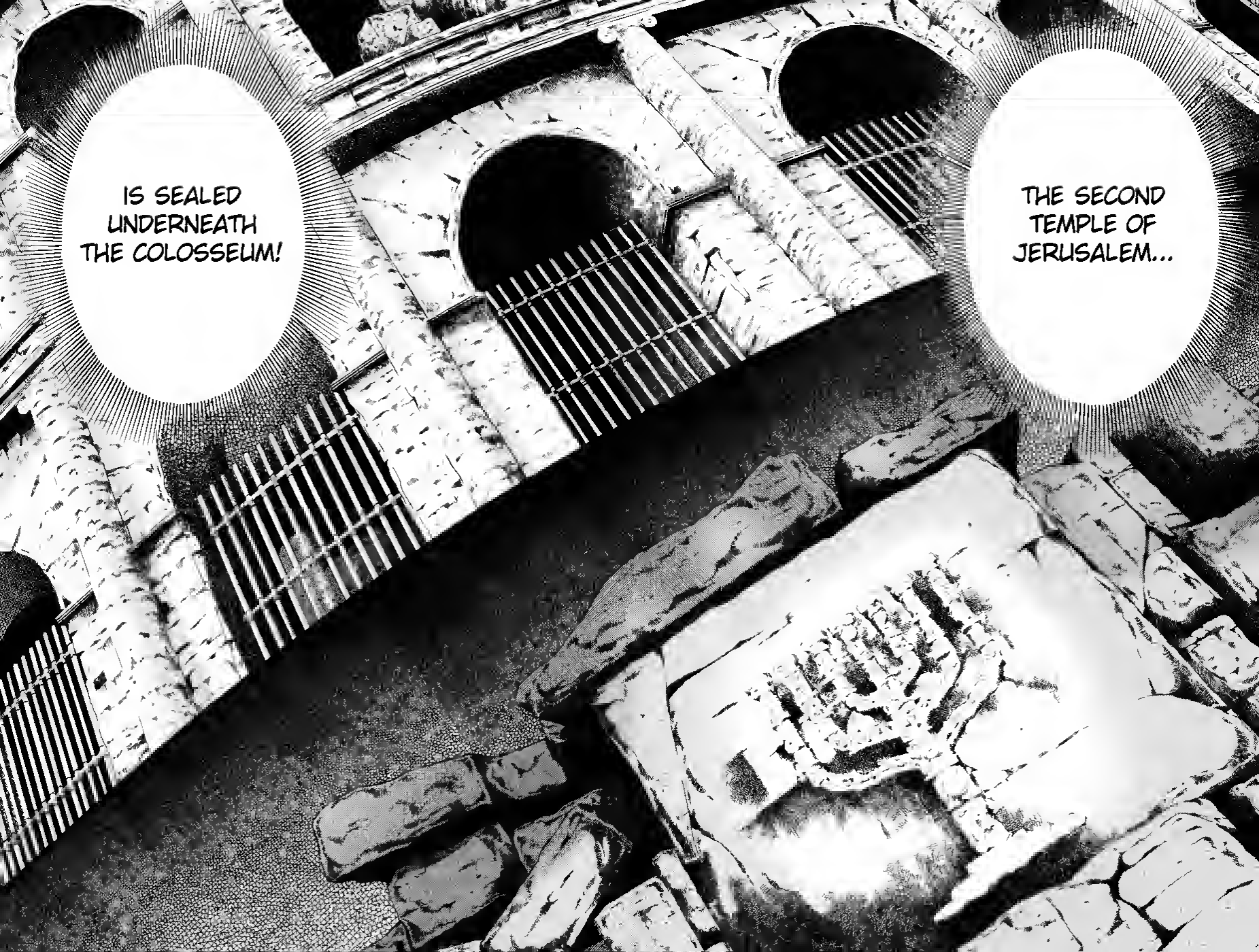
JUDEA'S TREASURE IS NOT GOLD OR JEWELS...

BUT THE MENORAH ...

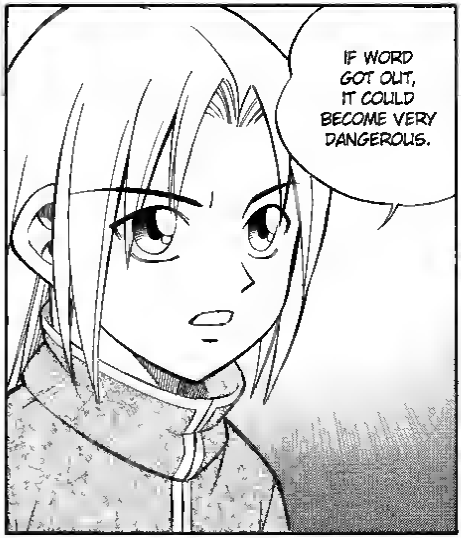
TITUS THOUGHT ...

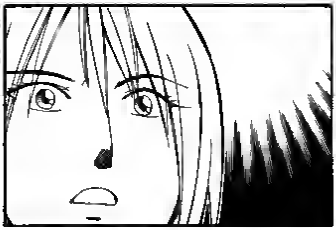
THE JEWS' WILLPOWER CAME FROM THE TEMPLE.

THE VERY ITEM THE ROMANS HID AFTER THE ROMAN-JUDEAN WAR.

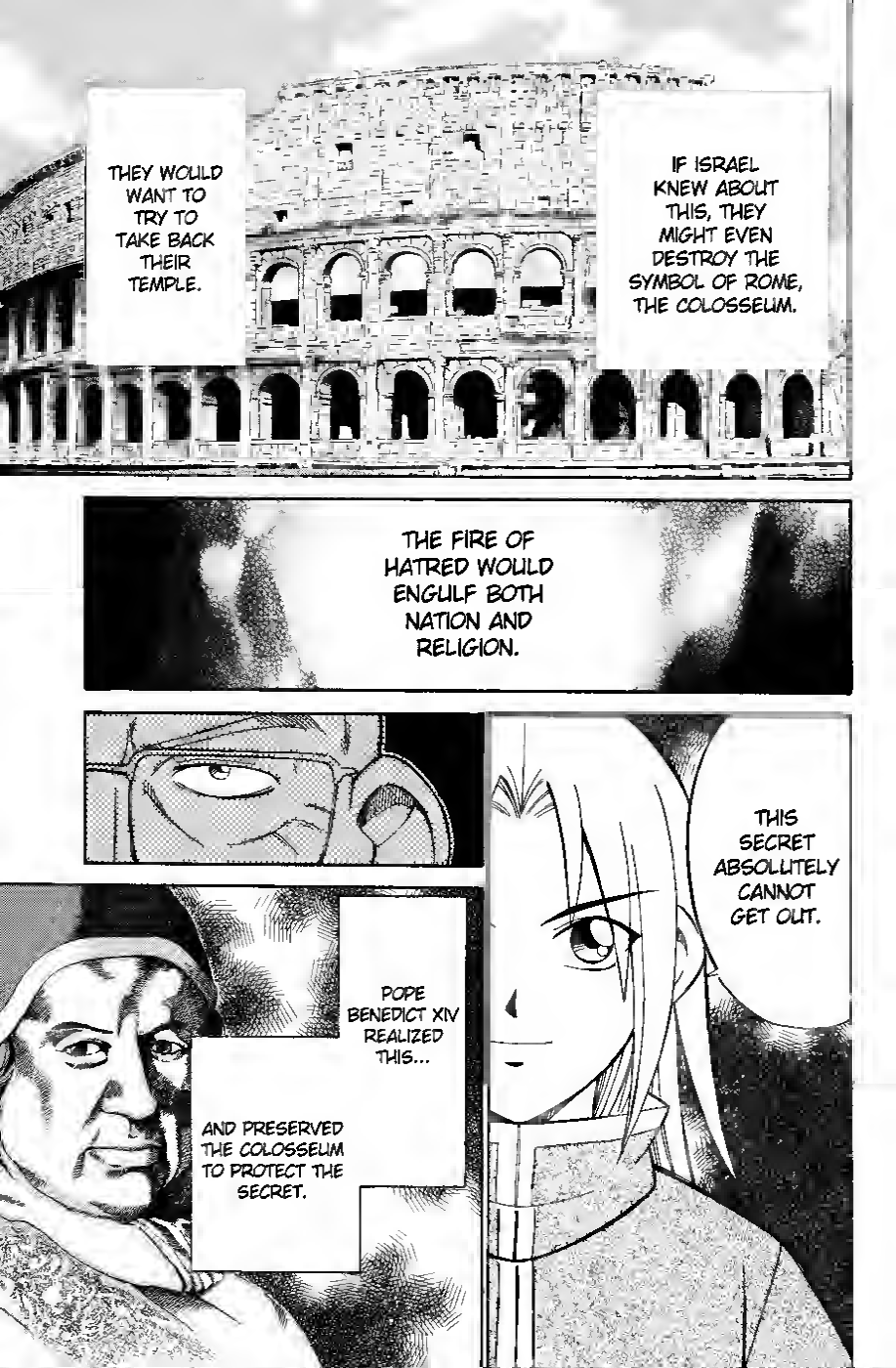

IS SEALED UNDERNEATH THE COLOSSEUM!
THE SECOND TEMPLE OF JERUSALEM...

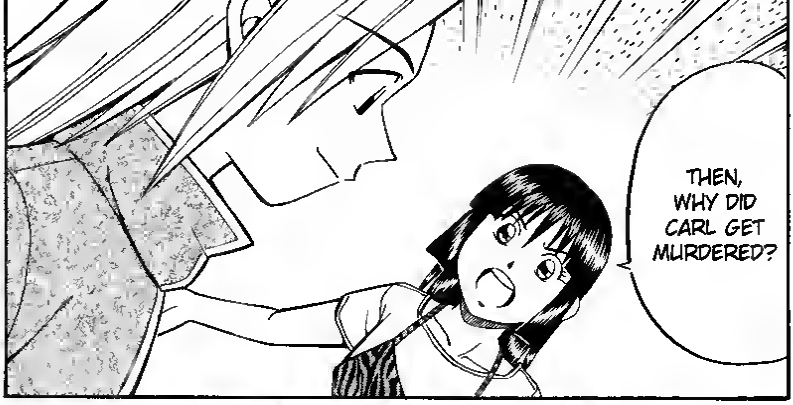
IS JERUSALEM'S SECOND TEMPLE ITSELF.
THE JUDEAN FORTUNE ...


IF WORD GOT OUT, IT COULD BECOME VERY DANGEROUS.

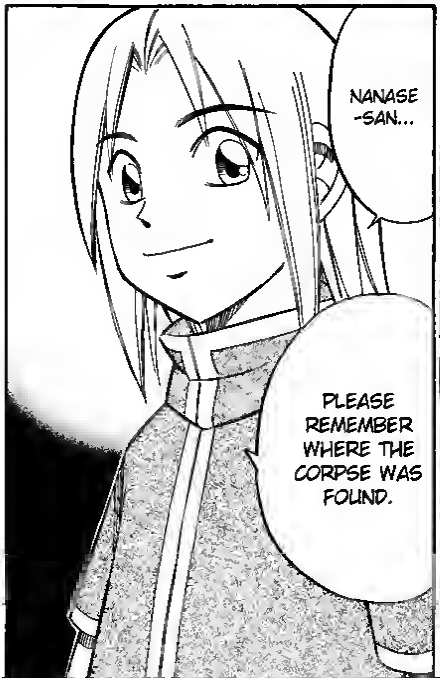


FOR THE RETURN OF THEIR SECOND TEMPLE.
EVEN NOW, THE JEWS PRAY AT THE WAILING WALL OF JERUSALEM ...

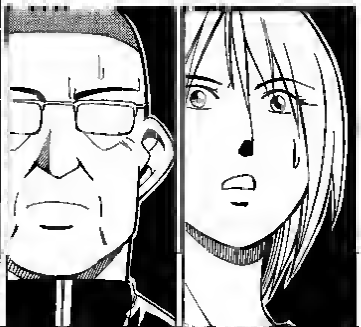

THEY WOULD WANT TO TRY TO TAKE BACK THEIR TEMPLE.
IF ISRAEL KNEW ABOUT THIS, THEY MIGHT EVEN DESTROY THE SYMBOL OF ROME, THE COLOSSEUM.
THE FIRE OF HATRED WOULD ENGULF BOTH NATION AND RELIGION.
THIS SECRET ABSOLUTELY CANNOT GET OUT.
POPE BENEDICT XIV REALIZED THIS...
AND PRESERVED THE COLOSSEUM TO PROTECT THE SECRET.


THEN, WHY DID CARL GET MURDERED?

SOMEONE KILLED HIM TO KEEP THIS A SECRET.
HE KNEW THE REAL FORM OF THE JUDEAN FORTUNE.


NANASE -SAN...
PLEASE REMEMBER WHERE THE CORPSE WAS FOUND.

WHO DID IT?



IMPALED CARL IN A ROOM TWO METRES WIDE.

A THREE-METRE TRIDENT ...

ATTACKING FROM ABOVE IS IMPOSSIBLE BECAUSE OF THE LOOSE FOOTING.

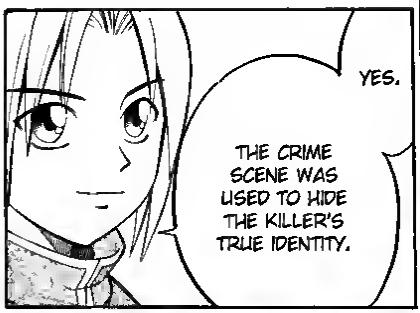
THE LACK OF SPACE MADE IT IMPOSSIBLE TO THRUST WITH THE TRIDENT.

IT'S SIMPLE ...

THE REAL METHOD WAS CAMOUFLAGED.

AND WHY BOTHER USING THAT TRIDENT?

SO HOW WAS IT POSSIBLE?


YES.
THE CRIME SCENE WAS USED TO HIDE THE KILLER'S TRUE IDENTITY.

CAMOU-FLAGED !?

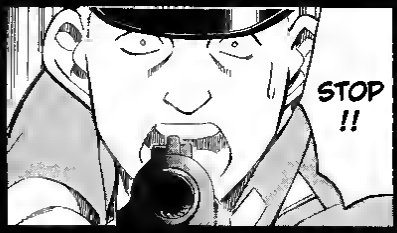
SO IF WE LOOK AT IT FROM ANOTHER PERSPECTIVE ...
WE WILL FIND THE ANSWER.

BUT WALTER RAN AWAY WITH THE DATA.

THE MURDERER DOESN'T WANT ISRAEL TO KNOW OF THE JUDEAN FORTUNE.

WALTER MADE SURE THE DATA WOULD MAKE IT TO THE JAPANESE INVESTIGATOR SENT BY THE BRITISH MUSEUM THROUGH THE WOVEN MISANGA, IN CASE ANYTHING HAPPENED TO HIM.
AFTER HE KNEW THAT CARL HAD BEEN MURDERED ...
HE THEN GOT A HANDGUN TO PROTECT HIMSELF...
YOU KILLED CARL, DIDN'T YOU?
WHEN WE FOUND HIM ...
FREEZE!!

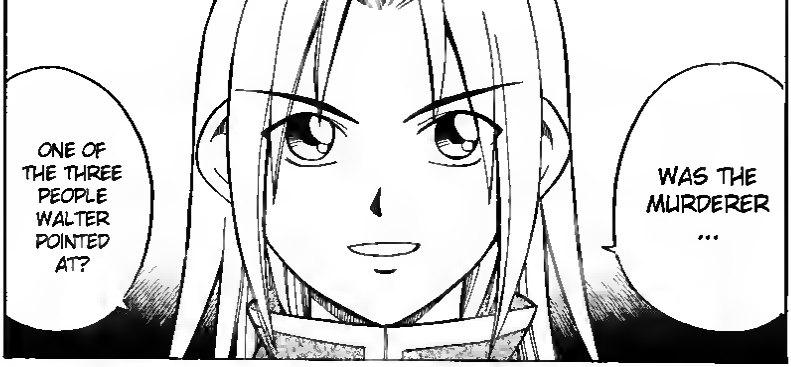
HE POINTED AT THE PERPE-TRATOR.


STOP !!

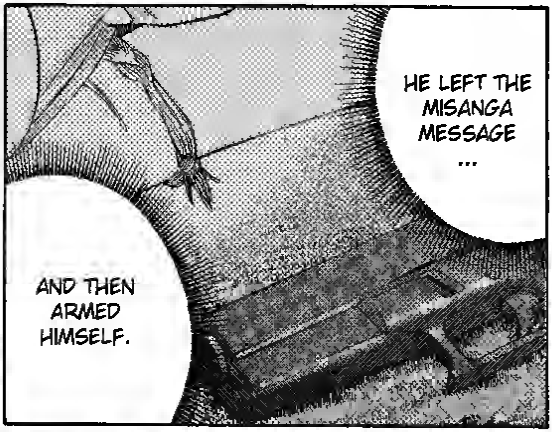
SHIT !!

TAP!
THE MURDERER SHOVED THE POLICEMAN ...

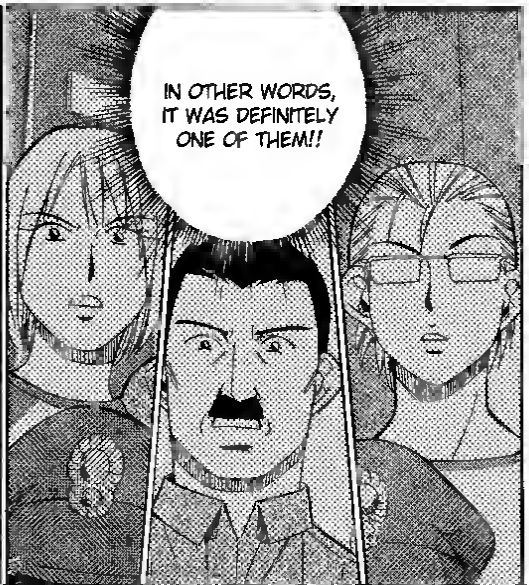
TO SILENCE WALTER


ONE OF THE THREE PEOPLE WALTER POINTED AT?
WAS THE MURDERER ...

THAT PROVES HE KNEW THE MURDERER.


HE LEFT THE MISANGA MESSAGE ...
AND THEN ARMED HIMSELF.

WHO !?


IN OTHER WORDS, IT WAS DEFINITELY ONE OF THEM!!

NOW, LET'S TURN OVER THIS DISGUISED CARD...

TO LOOK AT THE FACE OF THE TRUTH.

WITH SUCH A LONG TRIDENT?

HOW CAN ANYONE IMPALE CARL IN THAT SMALL ROOM ...

THE CRIME SCENE IS THE COLOS-SEUM ...

ACTUALLY, THE KILLER NEEDED THE TRIDENT TO BE THAT LONG.

IT'S AN AMAZING TREASURE !!

AND OVER THERE, WAS CARL ...

I'M NOT LYING !!
HE WAS STANDING ON THE WALLS.
THE MURDERER APPROACHED CARL FROM A BLIND SPOT...

BUT CARL COLLAPSED.
AT FIRST, THE TRIDENT ONLY MADE SHALLOW WOUNDS.
AND THEN ...

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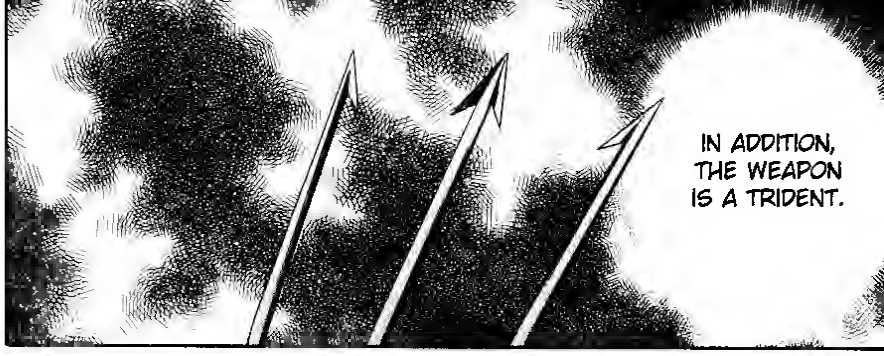
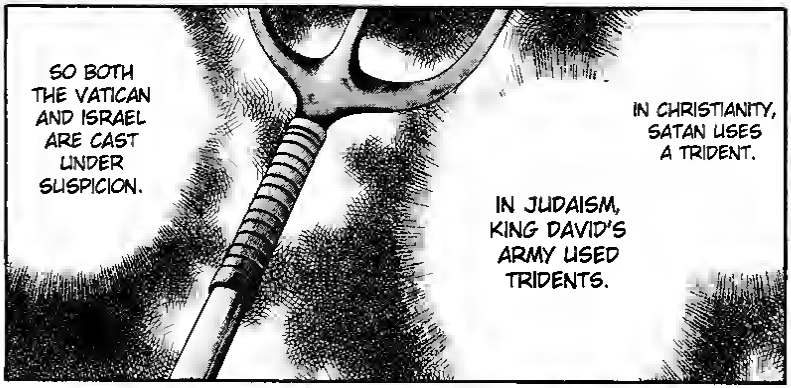
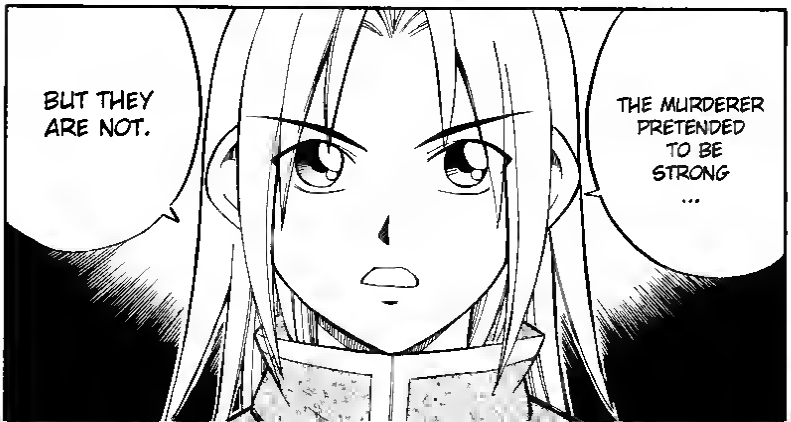
WE THOUGHT ONLY SOMEONE STRONG COULD HAVE DONE THIS.


IN ADDITION, THE WEAPON IS A TRIDENT.


SO BOTH THE VATICAN AND ISRAEL ARE CAST UNDER SUSPICION.
IN CHRISTIANITY, SATAN USES A TRIDENT.
IN JUDAISM, KING DAVID'S ARMY USED TRIDENTS.

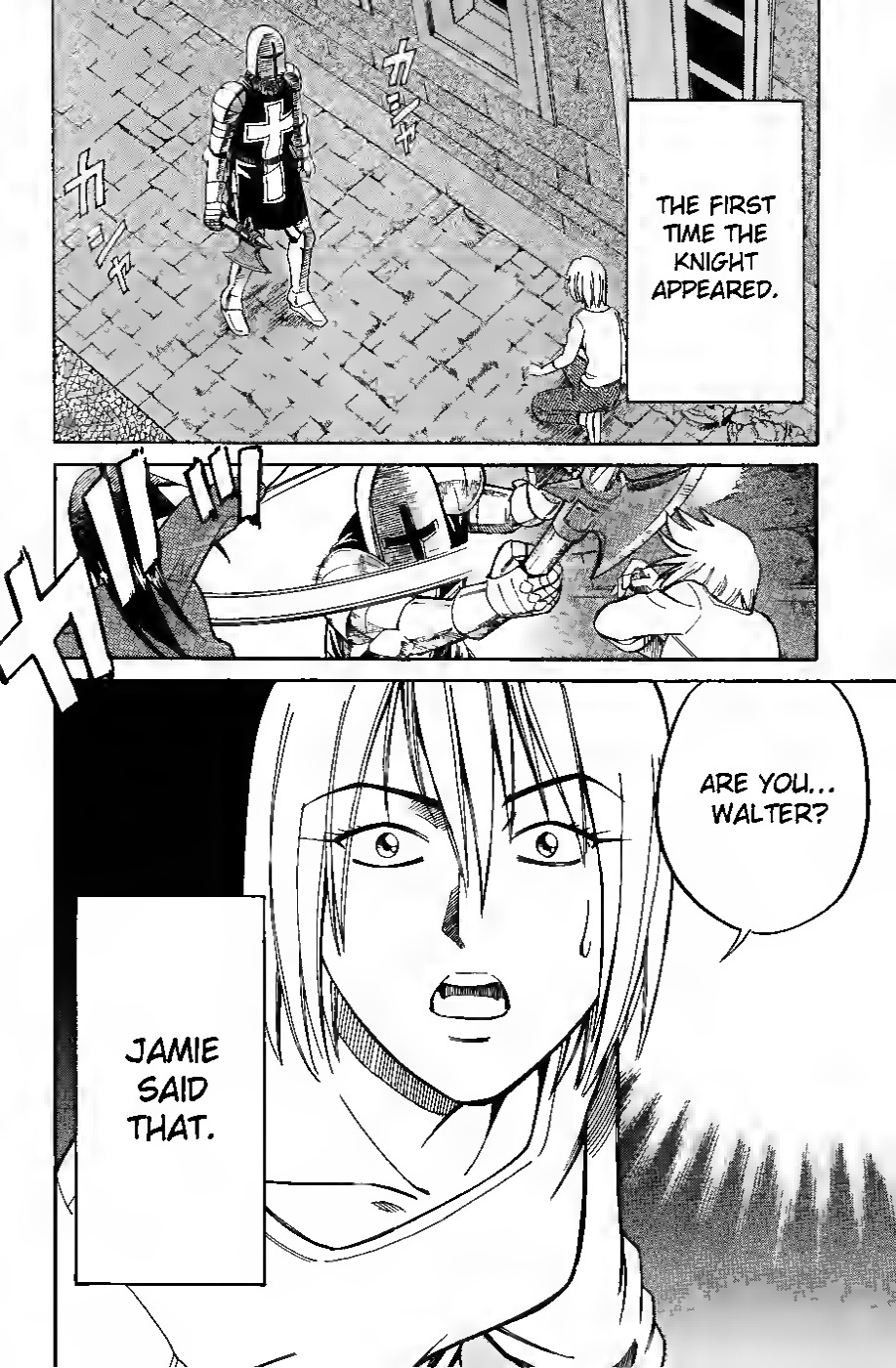
IS THE FALSE, REVERSE SIDE OF THE CARD.
BUT ALL OF THIS ...

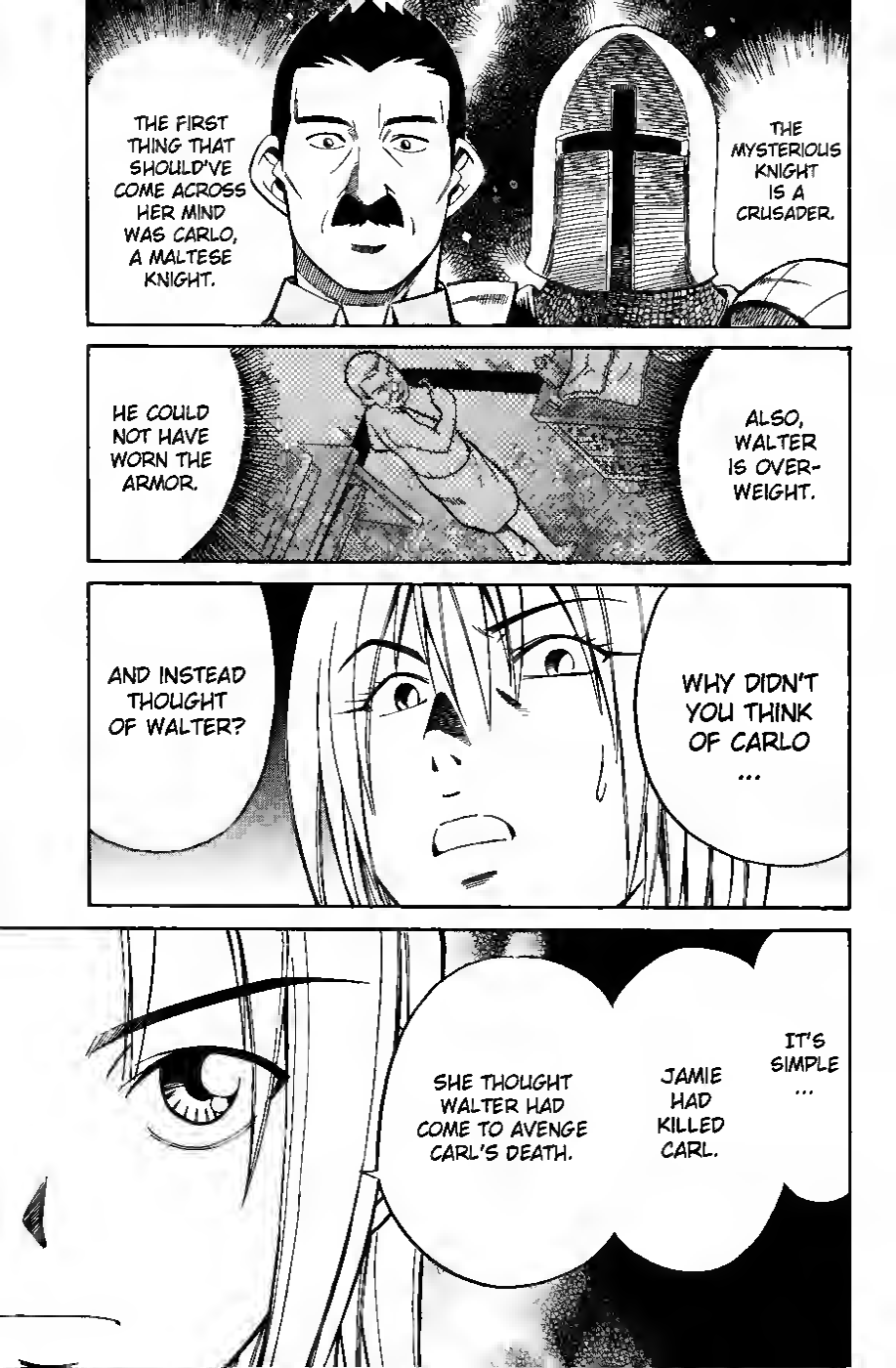

BUT THEY ARE NOT.
THE MURDERER PRETENDED TO BE STRONG ...

IT LOOKS LIKE THE VATICAN, BUT IT IS NOT.
IT LOOKS LIKE ISRAEL, BUT IT IS NOT.
AND KILLED BOTH CARL AND WALTER!!
THE PERSON WHO NEEDS TO HIDE IN THE SHADOWS ...
THE ONE BEHIND ALL THIS...

IS YOU, JAMIE.

NANASE-SAN, IF JAMIE DIDN'T DO IT, THEN WHO?
THAT'S RIGHT, SHINRA ...
THE ARMORED KNIGHT ...
THE ONLY PERSON WHO HAS ENOUGH PHYSICAL STRENGTH TO USE THE TRIDENT ...
THE ONE WHO WANTS TO PROTECT THE JUDEAN FORTUNE...
ALL THE INTERFERENCE IN THIS CASE CAN BE LINKED TO CARLO.
IT ALL POINTS TO CARLO.
BUT REMEM-BER...


THE FIRST TIME THE KNIGHT APPEARED.
ARE YOU... WALTER?
JAMIE SAID THAT.

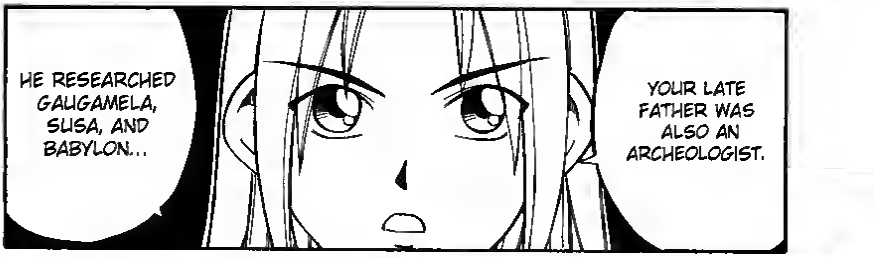

THE FIRST THING THAT SHOULD'VE COME ACROSS HER MIND WAS CARLO, A MALTESE KNIGHT.
THE MYSTERIOUS KNIGHT IS A CRUSADER.
HE COULD NOT HAVE WORN THE ARMOR.
ALSO, WALTER IS OVER-WEIGHT.
AND INSTEAD THOUGHT OF WALTER?
WHY DIDN'T YOU THINK OF CARLO ...
SHE THOUGHT WALTER HAD COME TO AVENGE CARL'S DEATH.
JAMIE HAD KILLED CARL.
IT'S SIMPLE ...

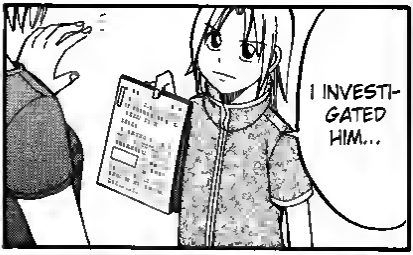
THERE-FORE ...
JAMIE DID IT.

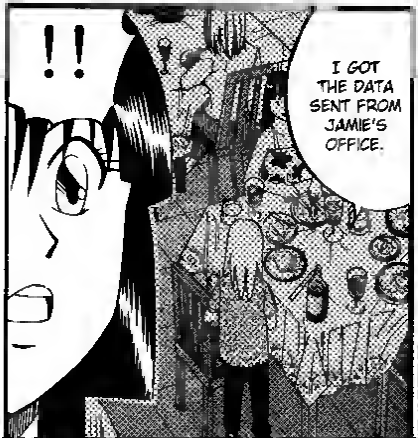
DID YOU KILL YOUR COLLEAGUES FOR THE TREASURE?

IS IT FOR MONEY?

TCH!
YES.
JAMIE ...
WE HAVE TO LET EVERYONE KNOW THAT THE MOTIVE WAS MONEY. WE HAVE TO HIDE THE JUDEAN FORTUNE FROM THE PROSECUTION...
BISHOP ...
YOU INTENDED TO CONCEAL THE EXISTENCE OF THE JUDEAN FORTUNE, RIGHT?
... HMM.


HE RESEARCHED GAUGAMELA, SUSA, AND BABYLON...
YOUR LATE FATHER WAS ALSO AN ARCHEOLOGIST.


I INVESTI-GATED HIM...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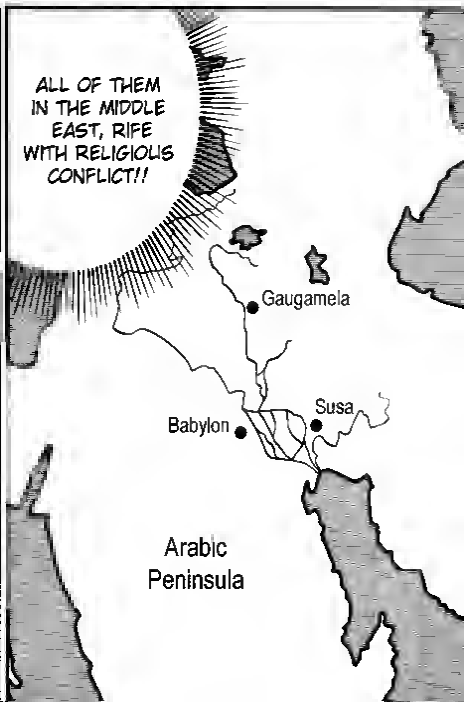
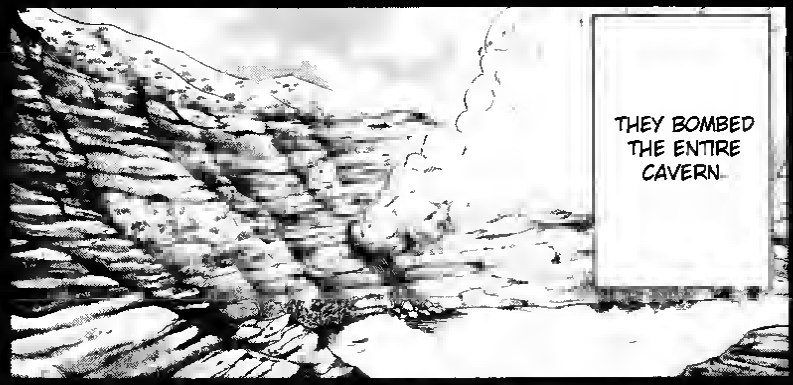
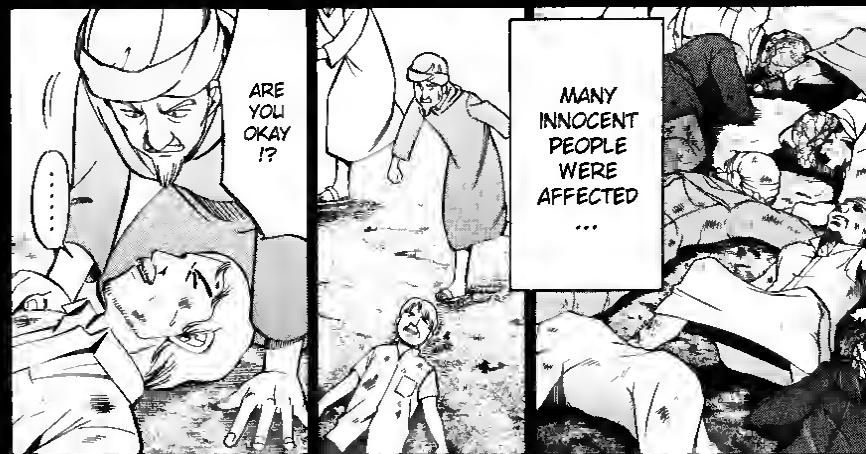
I GOT THE DATA SENT FROM JAMIE'S OFFICE.


ALL OF THEM IN THE MIDDLE EAST, RIFE WITH RELIGIOUS CONFLICT!!
Gaugamela
Susa
Babylon
Arabic Peninsula

"THE BLUE OF LAPIZ LAZULI IS TRULY BEAUTIFUL."
THAT WAS IN HIS LAST LETTER.
HE FOUND A BUDDHIST MURAL IN A CAVERN ...
A STUNNINGLY BEAUTIFUL MURAL WITH THE COLORS OF THAT ERA.

THEY ABSOLUTELY DON'T PERMIT THE WORSHIP OF THE DEPICTIONS OF DEITIES AND SAINTS.
BUT THAT AREA WAS CONTROLLED BY ISLAMIC FUNDAMENTALIST EXTREMISTS ...


THEY BOMBED THE ENTIRE CAVERN.


ARE YOU OKAY !?
.....
MANY INNOCENT PEOPLE WERE AFFECTED ...

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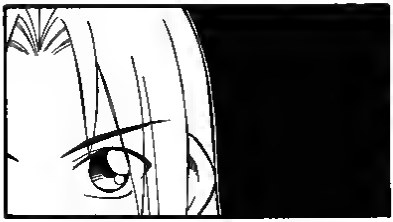
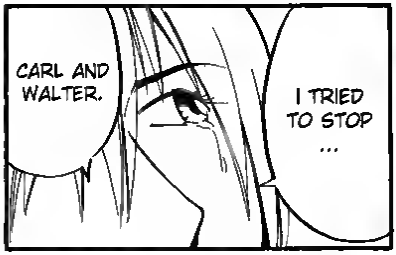
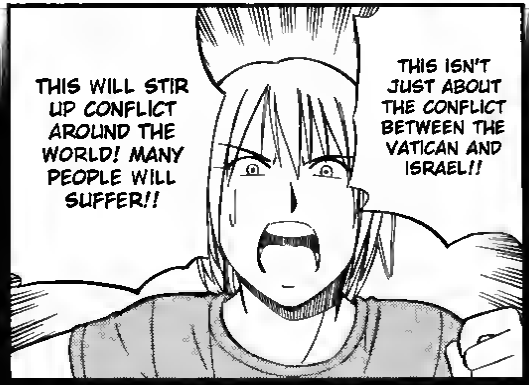
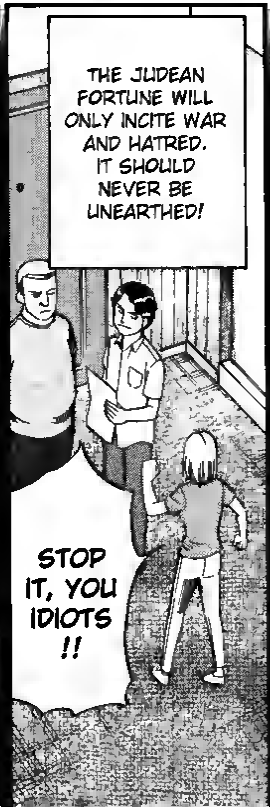
MY FAULT ...
THIS... IS ALL MY FAULT ...
I...
"...EXCAVATED TERROR AND HATRED."



MY FATHER DIED...
WITH SO MUCH REGRET.

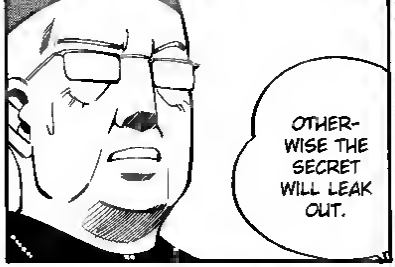

I TRIED TO STOP ...
CARL AND WALTER.


THIS ISN'T JUST ABOUT THE CONFLICT BETWEEN THE VATICAN AND ISRAEL!!
THIS WILL STIR UP CONFLICT AROUND THE WORLD! MANY PEOPLE WILL SUFFER!!

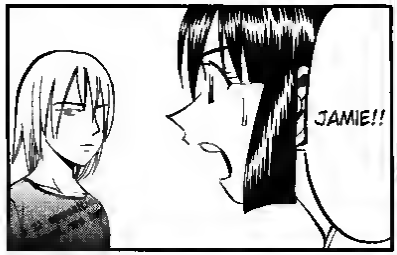

THE JUDEAN FORTUNE WILL ONLY INCITE WAR AND HATRED. IT SHOULD NEVER BE UNEARTHED!
STOP IT, YOU IDIOTS !!

YOU'RE TELLING US TO THROW AWAY THAT VALUABLE INFORMATION ?!
WHO CARES HOW MANY PEOPLE WILL DIE?

THERE'S NO TRUTH HIDDEN UNDER-GROUND ...
BLAM!
THIS IS WHAT I FOUND!
PEOPLE WILL DO ANYTHING FOR THAT TRUTH.
TRUTH IS IN PEOPLE'S MINDS.
AND WE CAN'T STOP IT.
THAT IS THE TRUTH ACCORDING TO YOU.
BUT ...


OTHER-WISE THE SECRET WILL LEAK OUT.

I DID IT FOR MONEY ...
THAT'S GOOD ENOUGH.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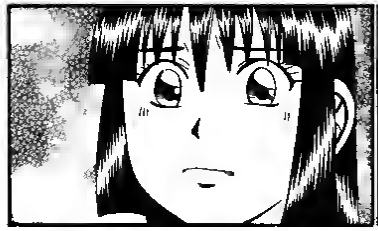

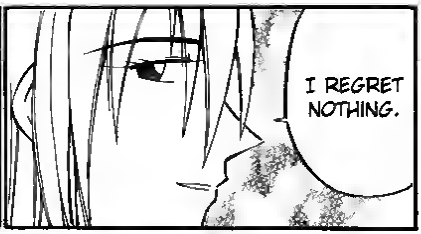
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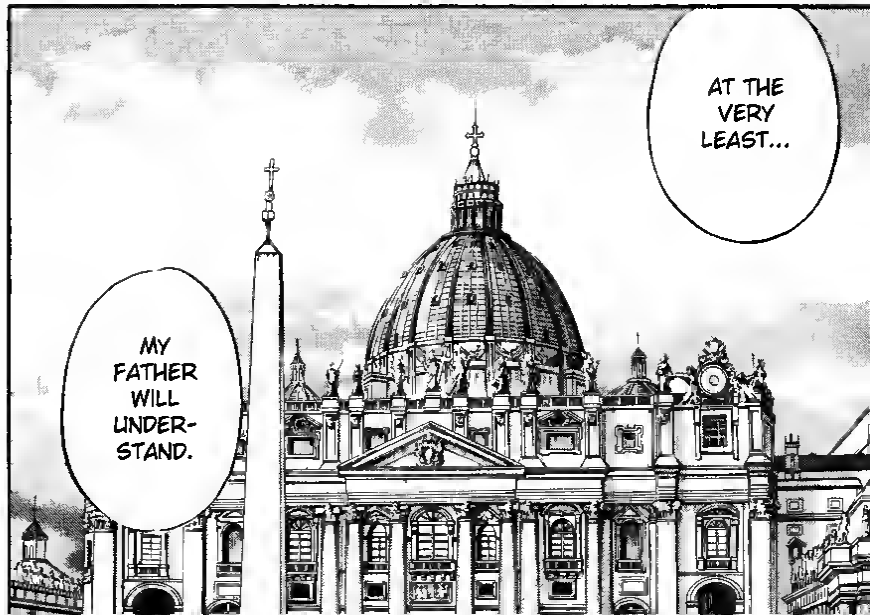
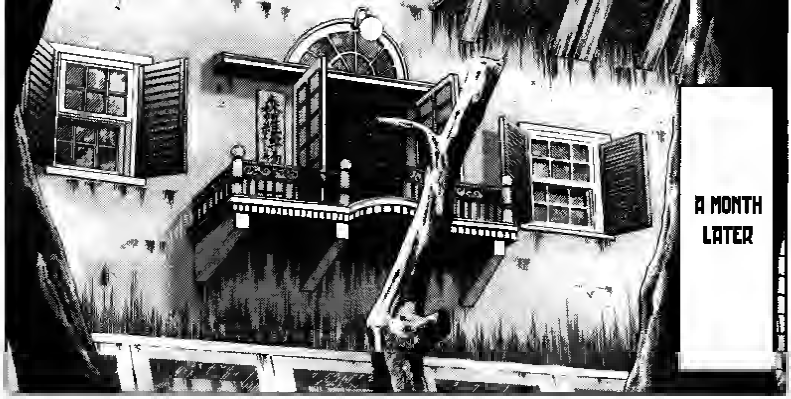

AT THE VERY LEAST...
MY FATHER WILL UNDER-STAND.

LEAVE THE REST TO US.
WE WILL DO WHAT IS BEST.
AND ...
THANK YOU.
THAT REMINDS ME... WHAT DID HE ASK FOR?
WE WILL DELIVER YOUR PAYMENT SHORTLY.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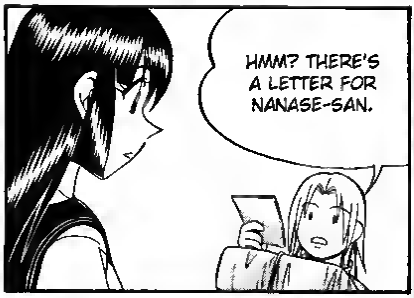
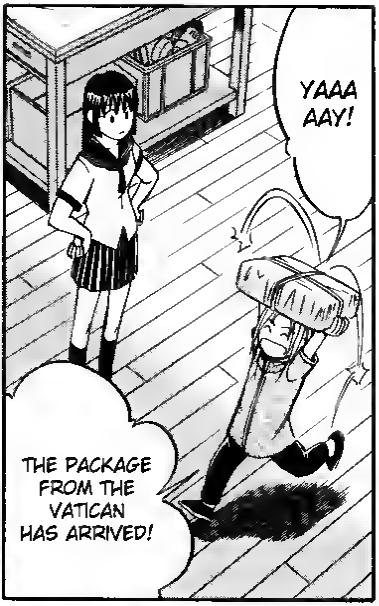

HMM? THERE'S A LETTER FOR NANASE-SAN.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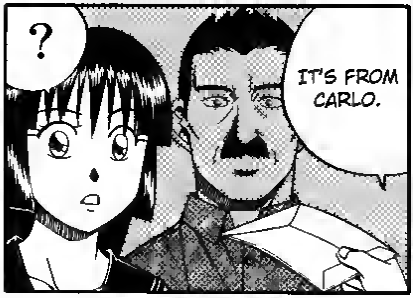
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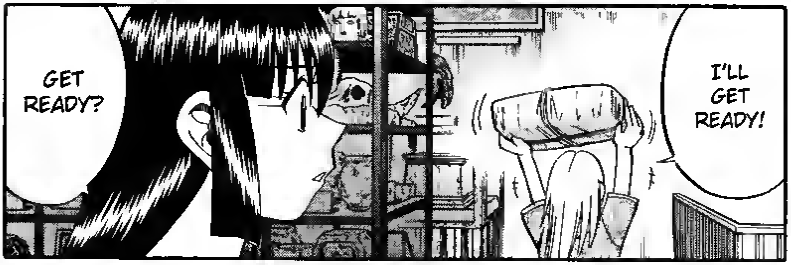
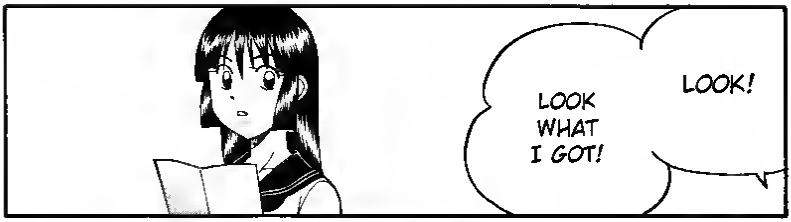
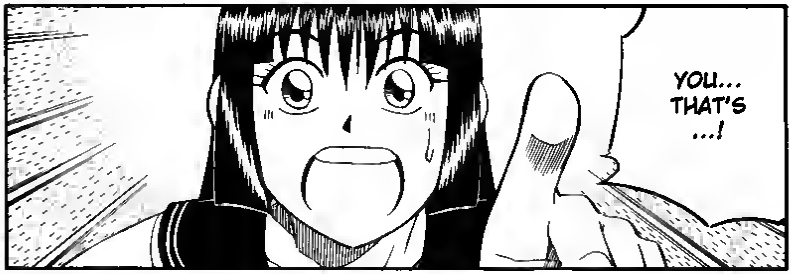
IT'S FROM CARLO.


GET READY?
I'LL GET READY!

BECAUSE YOU SEEMED WORRIED ABOUT JAMIE, I'LL TELL YOU WHAT HAPPENED.
TELL
?
POLITICAL POWER PLAYS A HUGE ROLE IN KEEPING THE SECRET.
YOU MIGHT NOT AGREE WITH IT, BUT PLEASE UNDERSTAND.
SHE PLEA BARGAINED IN COURT.
AND GOT THE LOWEST POSSIBLE PUNISH-MENT.
A MESSAGE FROM JAMIE ...
TELL YOUR LITTLE BOYFRIEND I SAID HI.
AND FINA-LLY ...





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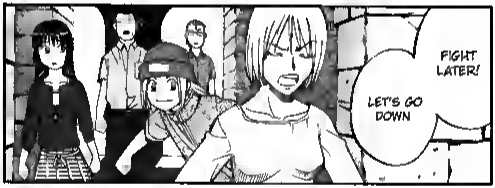

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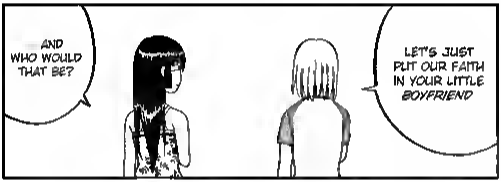

YOU KNOW, WITH TATSUKI AND SHINRA, I JUST DON'T SEE IT.

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